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ANNUAL REPORT 2004



Swanzey
New Hampshire

OFFICE HOURS AND REGULAR MEETINGS

TOWN HALL

Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Land Use Boards,
Assessing, General Assistance, Sewer Commission, Town Administrator

Weekdays 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM except Holidays

Town Hall Telephone Number 603-352-7411

NH Relay TDD 1-800-735-2964

FAX 603-352-6250

www.town.swanzey.nh.us

SELECTMEN

Wednesday evenings 6:00 PM

Francis Faulkner, Jr.

352-2529 (Home)

Robert A. Beauregard

352-5043 (Home)

Deborah J. Davis

357-4435 (Home)

PLANNING BOARD

1st and 3rd Thursday of each month, 7:00 PM

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

3rd Monday of each month, 7:00 PM

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

2nd Tuesday of each month, 7:00 PM

SEWER COMMISSIONERS

1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, 7:00 PM

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE

Wednesday evenings, 7:00-8:30 PM

PUBLIC SAFETY

TO REPORT AN EMERGENCY

Police, Fire, Ambulance —

9-1-1

Police Administration

352-2869

Fire Administration

358-6455

Burning permits may be obtained by calling one of the fire wardens listed below:

Lee Dunham, Ward. 352-4184

Morgan Wright, Dep. 352-1225

Gerry Bell, Dep. 352-1989

Henry Johnson, Dep. 352-2870

Robert LaBelle, Dep. 352-4380

Bruce Tatro, Dep. 352-3904

Sylvester Karasinski, Dep. 358-5168

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**ANNUAL REPORT
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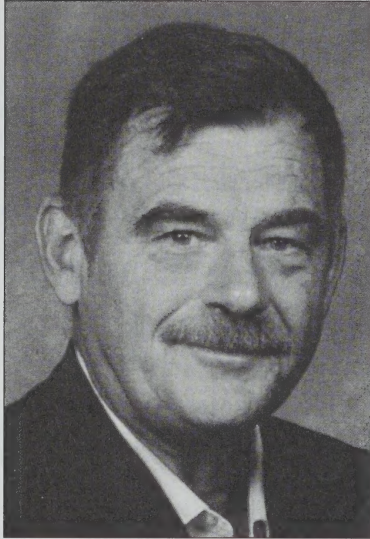
**SWANZEY
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

For the year ending December 31, 2004

In Memoriam

Alfred J. Longe

1944-2004



This Town Report is dedicated to the memory of Alfred J. "Al" Longe. Al served his town over the years in a variety of ways, as both an elected official and dedicated volunteer. He was a member of the town's planning board and served as a Commissioner for the North Swanze Water & Fire Precinct. His involvement in the Town's Old Home Day celebrations resulted in the inclusion of a Vintage Race Car Show celebrating the bygone days of "racing" in the region and at the Cheshire Fairgrounds. History, of the Town and region, was of great interest to Al and led to his involvement in the Swanze Preservation Society. Al was always willing to put forth his own efforts to get a job done and organize others to help. His positive approach to situations and problems as well as his willingness to encourage others to join in is missed.

Photo provided by Longe Family

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OFFICIALS OF SWANZEY, NEW HAMPSHIRE FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2004

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**2004 TOWN OFFICIALS
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

ELECTED OFFICIALS

MODERATOR

Alfred C. Lerandeau	Term expires 2006
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SELECTMEN

Francis W. Faulkner, Jr. Chair	Term expires 2005
Robert A. Beauregard	Term expires 2006
Deborah J. Davis	Term expires 2007

TOWN CLERK

Carol A. DeRocher	Term expires 2006
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TREASURER

Roger W. Conway	Term expires 2007
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SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Ruth Snyder	Term expires 2006
Lynda Faulkner	Term expires 2010
Eileen Thompson	Term expires 2008

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Paul Nikiforakis	Term expires 2006
Nancy Carlson	Term expires 2007
John Bleyle	Term expires 2005

SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Glenn W. Page, Chair	Term expires 2005
William Snyder	Term expires 2006
Larry Crowder	Term expires 2007

OLD HOME DAY COMMITTEE

Eileen Longe	Term expires 2006
William Carson	Term expires 2005

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

William Hutwelker, Chair	Term expires 2007
Charles Beauregard, Sr.	Term expires 2005
Elizabeth Martin Nieckoski	Term expires 2006
Jennifer Gregory	Term expires 2005
Keith Thibault	Term expires 2006
Robert DeRocher, alternate	Term expires 2006
Robert Mitchell, alternate	Term expires 2005
Martin Geheran, alternate	Term expires 2007
Don Simeneau, alternate	Term expires 2005

PLANNING BOARD

Glenn W. Page, Chair	Term expires 2005
Scott Self, Vice-Chair	Term expires 2007
Scott Lambert	Term expires 2006
Charles Beauregard, Sr.	Term expires 2006
Richard L. Lane	Term expires 2007
June Fuerderer	Term expires 2005
Steve Russell, alternate	Term expires 2005
Arthur Charland, alternate-resigned	Term expires 2006
Victoria Barlow, alternate	Term expires 2007
Francis W. Faulkner, Jr., Selectmen's Representative	Term expires 2005

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

Robert J. Kenney	Term expires 2005
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REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT

Judson Dexter	Term expires 2006
Sheila Foote	Term expires 2006
Peter Allen	Term expires 2006
Anna Tilton	Term expires 2006

APPOINTED BOARDS & COMMITTEES

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Judy Bohannon, Chair	Term expires 2006
Polly Seymour	Term expires 2007
Annette Naeck	Term expires 2006

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Stephen Stepenuck, Chair	Term expires 2005
Deb Crowder	Term expires 2007
Barbara Skuly	Term expires 2006
Barbara Sherman Glidden	Term expires 2006
Kevin Faulkner	Term expires 2005
Walt Calkins	Term expires 2006
Michael Morrison	Term expires 2007
Art Whipple, alternate	Term expires 2007
Jean Blood, alternate (resigned)	Term expires 2006

BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN PATHWAYS COMMITTEE

Steve Russell, Chair	John Summers
John Bridges	Bruce Bohannon
Theresa DiLuzio	Walt Calkins
Marty Eaton	John Doughty
Julene Hall-Gilsmore	Alan Gross
David Krisch	Carol Jeffery
Barbara Skuly	David Whipple
Francis W. Faulkner, Jr., Selectmen Representative	Suzanne Whittemore

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

The 2004 Town Report is a good source for comprehensive information on town programs, department activities and events of the past year. The report also provides an introduction and insight into anticipated issues or concerns that will be facing the Town and its officials in 2005 and future years. Town officials and departments strive to include in their reports information on current activities, as well as challenges and plans for the future. When we come together as a Town at our Annual Meeting in March, voters will have an opportunity to deliberate and make decisions that will determine the course Swanzezy will chart in 2005 and into the future.

Several projects initiated in prior years continued to require the Board's attention in 2004 and will continue to in 2005.

- June completion of design work related to the West Street Bridge reconstruction resulted in Selectmen deferring bidding of the project until late fall. Unfortunately, continued deterioration of the bridge resulted in placement of a 3 ton load limit at the crossing in the fall until NH DOT could perform work that would allow the culvert structures to safely support legal loads. Re-construction of this bridge, at a bid price of approximately \$540,000, is expected to begin in late March. State bridge aid will be funding 80% of this project's cost.
- Sewer construction, anticipated in North Swanzezy since the early 1980's, began in July. The North Swanzezy Project also includes infrastructure improvements related to water distribution, roads and drainage, with the idea that the road is dug up only once. Coordinating this work has taken extra effort on the part of Town and Precinct officials, as well as the staff of both organizations. To date, comments about the work completed on the northeast side of Wilson Pond have been positive. We are looking forward to spring when construction resumes on the south end of Wilson Pond, Route 32 and the surrounding neighborhoods.
- The Town-wide Revaluation Project, initiated in 2003, has (for the most part) been completed, with the new assessed values set in the fall of 2004. Some work is ongoing, with the NH Department of Revenue being charged with monitoring the Town's assessment practices. A full report of the Town's taxable value is included in this annual report. Assessment information about individual parcels can be viewed on line at www.visionappraisal.com. In addition, a workstation at Town Hall is dedicated to providing public access to current property assessments and ownership information.
- In August of 2004, Dawn Rice was hired as Carpenter Home Administrator and brings to the position significant experience in the health care field including her Register Nurse credentials. The financial position of the Carpenter Home Special Revenue Fund has continued to improve in 2004. Resident room and board revenues brought the operation close to breaking even this year. The home's mission of service and its public lands make it an invaluable asset to the community.
- Town line perambulation (walking and marking of the lines between towns), required by State statute to be completed every seven years, has continued in 2004 with perambulation of sections of the Town lines shared with Winchester and Keene. This work was completed by Selectman Faulkner and representatives of the neighboring towns. This year's perambulation has included the collection of GPS location data for the Town line markers which should ease this task for those who may have to complete it in future years.

The responsibilities of the Town continue to grow as does the Town - the 2004 population, as determined by the State of NH, was 7,009 residents. Several new housing developments are underway that include a mix of housing types. Commercial development has also continued. The Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment, as well as the Code Enforcement Officer, have seen increases in the number of applications received. Full detail on the activities of these boards and the Town's Code Enforcement Officer can be found in their annual reports.

The Town's road network also increased during 2004 with several roads accepted by Selectmen as part of development proposals brought to the Planning Board (including Safford Drive and an additional section C.L. Lane).

Selectmen also utilized the statutory process authorized at Town Meeting 2004 to accept one conservation easement over land owned by Emile and Nancy Legere adjacent to the Town's Mill K and conservation parcel off of Matthews Road and declined another conservation easement offered by Evergreen Knoll Limited Partnership as a result of Town Boards and public concerns over use restrictions.

This year's work plan for the Board includes continued work on a comprehensive road maintenance and improvement plan, initiation of a project with NH-DOT to add supplemental fire protection measures to several covered bridges, continued study of the West Swanzy Water Company, the Route 32 sidewalk project, as well as the culmination of the North Swanzy infrastructure improvements. In addition, plans will be made to rehabilitate Ash and Base Hill Roads upon the completion of the Route 10 project by the State.

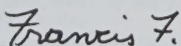
It is anticipated that the final report on the Homestead Woolen Mills Dam feasibility study will be received during the Spring of 2005. A consulting firm was retained by the State of New Hampshire to review the many issues surrounding the potential breach of the dam. Public information sessions will be scheduled after the final report is issued to review options and determine a plan of action.

As mentioned earlier, the Town continues to grow at a steady rate. Residences are being built and new businesses are establishing themselves in Town. This continued growth, paired with the ever-increasing demands of Code and Fire review have resulted in the Selectmen recommending that the Code Enforcement Officer's position be increased to a full-time.

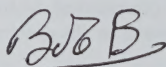
During 2005, the Selectmen will begin the process of conducting a comprehensive assessment of future facility needs for the Town and launch an evaluation/planning effort to address the identified needs. As part of this assessment, the Town will need to consider the services provided today as well as those that will develop as the town grows. The assessment will take time, priorities will need to be set and choices will need to be made. It is important that a plan be established to ensure that the services that the Town's residents and businesses expect are provided in an efficient, safe and timely manner.

Again, we urge residents to read the reports of departments, boards, committees and agencies who endeavor, in limited space, to educate everyone on activities of the prior year and the challenges ahead for our Town. Key to meeting those challenges is the support of the people of Swanzy. Much of what happens in our town would not happen without volunteer efforts. If you have an interest – sports, hiking, biking, history, public safety, gardening, reading, working with kids or the elderly – we can use you! The efforts of volunteers, board, committee and commission members, firefighters, rescue and emergency management personnel, as well as the efforts of all employees the Town's departments will allow the town to continue to meet future challenges.

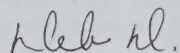
To keep up with Town events, activities and meeting schedules, visit Swanzy's web page at www.town.swanzy.nh.us!



Francis W. Faulkner, Jr.



Robert A. Beauregard



Deborah J. Davis

Selectmen of Swanzy, New Hampshire

TOWN HALL

The Town Hall staff provides a variety of services to the residents of Swanzey. It serves as a link between its citizens, part time officials, town departments and numerous boards and committees. Some of the services that frequently bring residents to Town Hall include motor vehicle registration, dog licensing, vital records and related licenses, assessment and land use inquiries, payment of taxes and sewer bills. Town Hall is regularly open Monday through Friday from 9 am to 5 pm, excluding holidays. If you have any questions regarding Town government, zoning or other matters, please call the Town Hall at 352-7411.

As of January 2005, the Town Clerk's Office has begun a new motor vehicle renewal procedure. The office will mail to your current address a motor vehicle renewal notice prior to the beginning of your month of renewal. The notice lists the vehicle(s) that require renewal(s) for that month. The owner may then mail the renewal notice letter and their checks for fees to the Town Clerk's Office for their new registration(s). Please include a self addressed, stamped envelope, along with two checks, to the Town Clerk's Office. To date, this process has generated positive feedback.

In 2004, Town Hall unveiled the Town's new website. While the site's address remained the same (www.town.swanzey.nh.us), the new site allows the "webmaster" to have instant access to the site in order to post minutes, notices, employment opportunities, etc. In addition, the new website provides the Town with the opportunity to easily add new features. Over the next few months look for additional information regarding Town Departments, Planning and Zoning forms, etc. The site also includes a directory of Town officials, press releases, the monthly town calendar and links to State and Federal government sites. Also, many suggestions received via the "Feedback Form" on the website have been incorporated into the Town's website.

Another development in 2004 was the installation of the "assessing data base computer" in the main hall. This computer is available to the public and provides information regarding properties in Town. In addition, assessing information regarding Swanzey properties is also available through Vision Appraisal's website (www.visionappraisal.com).

"Swanzey Uncovered," the Town's newsletter, is published twice a year, in the spring and late fall. This newsletter covers the events of our Town's departments and committees. If you have ideas for articles and other information that you would like to see included in "Swanzey Uncovered," please contact Sandi Page at 352-7411.

Also, during any given week, Town Hall is the setting for many varied activities, ranging from Town Board meetings to blood pressure screenings, flu shots, etc. by Home Health Care. You may also find representatives of your State and Federal governments holding "office hours" at town Hall. These activities, in addition to the usual Town government functions, serve to make the Town Hall a very busy place.

The Town Hall staff would like to thank the Swanzey Girl Scouts and Brownies for their wonderful job of decorating the Town Hall during the holiday season. Also, thanks are extended to the Old Homestead Garden Club for maintaining the planters in front of Town Hall as well as several other public gardens.

By participating in town government, each and every citizen makes Swanzey a better place. Your input, efforts and support is needed for the many community events and projects that make Swanzey special. If you would like to serve on a committee, volunteer to help with an event, or would like to find out more information about your town or its government, please contact us at Town Hall.

Carol DeRocher, Town Clerk
Ruth Snyder, Tax Collector
Sara Carbonneau, Town Planner
Sandi Page, Administrative Aide

Lori Belletete, Deputy Town Clerk
Cindy Rose, Deputy Tax Collector
Theresa Stetson, Bookkeeper
Beth Fox, Town Administrator

TREASURER'S REPORT
January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS

Balance on Hand January 1, 2004	\$ 5,130,595.42
Plus receipts	13,441,238.71
Plus interest received Citizens Bank	31,486.66
Plus interest received MBIA Investment	<u>15,317.66</u>
	\$ 18,618,638.45
Less payments	14,351,094.18
Less transfer to sewer account	12,868.00
Less transfer to N. Swanzev Upgrade Project	11,766.00
Less transfer to conservation commission	<u>10,000.00</u>
	\$ 4,232,910.27
Plus transfer from turn around bond	-
Plus transfer from sewer upgrade	1,159,179.48
Cash on Hand December 31, 2004	\$ 5,392,089.75
Distribution of Cash on Hand General Fund Accounts	
Citizens Bank Checking	\$ 1,025,205.21
Citizens Bank CD	<u>2,800,000.00</u>
MBIA Investment Account	<u>1,566,884.54</u>
	\$ 5,392,089.75

SEWER COMMISSIONERS ACCOUNTS

Balance on Hand January 1, 2004	\$ 233,827.77
Plus receipts	167,077.41
Plus interest received Citizens Bank	11.58
Plus interest received MBIA Investment	1,790.72
Plus transfer from General Fund	<u>12,868.00</u>
	\$ 415,575.48
Less payments	<u>199,347.47</u>
	\$ 216,228.01

Distribution of Cash on Hand Sewer Commissioners Accounts

Citizens Bank Checking	\$ 3,885.28
MBIA Investment Account	<u>195,462.19</u>
	\$ 199,347.47

NORTH SWANZEY SEWER PROJECT

Transfer from General Fund February 23, 2004	\$ 11,766.00
Receipts	
CDBG Funds	\$ 260,321.00
DES Revolving Loan Fund	522,823.89
N. Swanzev Water & Fire Precinct	378,350.54
Interest	<u>25.34</u>
Total Receipts	\$ 1,161,520.77
Total Cash on Hand	1,173,326.77
Less Transfer to General Fund	1,159,179.48
Cash on Hand December 31, 2004	\$ 14,147.29

TREASURER'S REPORT
January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004

SOD FARM ACCOUNT

Balance on Hand January 1, 2004	\$	2,787.82
Plus interest received		4.14
Cash on Hand Sod Farm Account December 31, 2004	\$	2,791.96

Distribution of Cash on Hand Sod Farm Account		
Citizens Bank	\$	2,791.96

CONSERVATION COMMISSION ACCOUNT

Balance on Hand January 1, 2004	\$	56,442.42
Plus interest received Citizens Bank		1.99
Plus interest received MBIA Investment		571.40
Plus receipts		-
Plus transfer from General Fund		10,000.00
		67,015.81
Less payments		1,697.42
	\$	65,318.39

Distribution of Accounts Conservation Commission		
Citizens Bank Account		1,310.70
MBIA Investment Account		64,007.69
	\$	65,318.39

CONSERVATION COMMISSION CRESSON FOREST

Balance on Hand January 1, 2004		13,902.48
Plus interest received Citizens Bank		1.99
Plus interest received MBIA Investment		124.40
Cash on Hand December 31, 2004	\$	14,028.87
Distribution of Special Fund Accounts		
Citizens Bank		1,311.35
MBIA Investment		12,717.52
	\$	14,028.87

Respectfully submitted,
Roger W. Conway, Treasurer

**REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK
2004**

Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$1,100,154.65
Vital Statistic Fees	337.00
Vital Statistic Fees Remitted to State	667.00
Marriage License Fees	231.00
Marriage License Fees Remitted to State	1,254.00
Dog Licenses	8,500.00
Dog Licenses Fees Remitted to State	3,404.00
Fish & Game Fees	46.00
Fish & Game Fees Remitted to State	1,515.50
Boat Registration Fees	1,781.86
Boat Fees Remitted to State	4,554.00
Miscellaneous Fees	2,954.53
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Remitted to Treasurer	\$1,125,399.54

Respectfully submitted,
Carol A. DeRocher, Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT 2004

ON LEVIES OF

<u>Uncollected Taxes 1/1/2004</u>	2004	2003	PRIOR
Property Taxes	-	612,215.22	1,717.00
Yield Taxes	-	3,751.42	-
<u>Taxes Committed to Collector</u>			
Property Taxes	10,311,836.00		5,570.00
Land Use Change Tax	48,375.00	-	-
Yield Taxes	27,541.19	-	-
Excavation Activity Tax	2,296.06		-
Recording Fees-Land Change Use Tax	81.85		-
Overpayments: Property Taxes	24,199.59	32.00	-
Interest Collected	6,042.87	32,537.81	2,406.62
TOTAL DEBITS:	\$10,420,372.56	\$648,536.45	\$9,693.62
<u>Remittances to Treasurer</u>			
Property Taxes	9,458,133.86	610,724.72	7,287.00
Land Use Change	46,875.00		
Recording Fees-Land Change Use	65.48		
Yield Taxes	20,233.75	3,751.42	
Excavation Tax	2,296.06	-	
Land Change Use Recording Fees	-		
Interest Collected	6,042.87	32,537.81	2,406.02
<u>Abatements Made</u>			
Property Taxes	533.02	1,483.50	
Yield Taxes	3,061.93	-	
Deeded To Town	379.00	39.00	
<u>Uncollected at End of Year 12/31/2004</u>			
Property Taxes	876,989.71		
Land Use Change Tax	1,500.00	-	
Recording Fees-Land Change Use Tax	16.37		
Yield Taxes	4,245.51	-	
TOTAL CREDITS:	\$10,420,372.56	\$648,536.45	\$9,693.02

SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

ON LEVIES

	2003	2002	2001 & PRIOR
Unredeemed Tax Liens 1/1/2004		160,525.30	126,764.74
Liens Executed	310,650.09	-	-
Interest & Costs	6,688.71	14,343.61	25,817.57
TOTAL DEBITS:	\$317,338.80	\$174,868.91	\$152,582.31
<u>Remittances to Treasurer</u>			
Redemptions	118,282.43	67,820.10	92,387.62
Interest & Costs	6,688.71	14,343.61	25,817.57
Deeded To Town	853.13	934.52	853.48
Unredeemed Tax Liens 1/1/2004	191,514.03	91,770.68	33,523.64
TOTAL CREDITS:	\$317,338.30	\$174,868.91	\$152,582.31

SUMMARY OF SEWER RENT ACCOUNTS

LEVIES OF

	2004	2003
<u>Uncollected Sewer Rents 1/1/2004</u>		
North Swanzey	-	2,724.18
West Swanzey	-	37,043.56
<u>Sewer Rents Committed to Collector</u>		
North Swanzey	13,366.23	-
West Swanzey	162,750.62	-
Overpayments: North Swanzey	1,238.40	-
Interest Collected	110.67	974.64
TOTAL DEBITS:	\$177,465.92	\$40,742.38
<u>Remittances to Treasurer</u>		
North Swanzey	12,384.28	2,724.18
West Swanzey	114,516.26	36,919.56
Abatements: West Swanzey		124.00
Interest Collected	110.67	974.64
<u>Uncollected Sewer Rents 1/1/2004</u>		
North Swanzey	2,220.35	-
West Swanzey	48,234.36	-
TOTAL CREDITS:	177,465.92	\$40,742.38

SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS FOR SEWER RENTS

LEVIES OF

	2003	2002	2001
Unredeemed Sewer Liens 1/1/2004		1126.43	383.83
Liens Executed	2,602.87	-	-
Interest & Costs after Lien	152.52	113.35	157.47
TOTAL DEBITS:	2,755.39	1,239.78	541.30
REMITTANCES TO TREASURER			
Redemptions	834.70	408.96	383.82
Interest & Costs	152.52	113.35	157.47
Unredeemed Sewer Liens 12/31/2004	1,768.17	717.47	-
TOTAL CREDITS:	2,755.39	1,239.78	541.29

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth C. Snyder, Tax Collector

PLANNING BOARD 2004

During 2004, the Planning Board reviewed 15 applications for site plan review and 10 subdivision applications (creating a total of 58 new lots), as well as numerous applications for signs, home occupations, boundary line adjustments and multi-and-new tenant occupancies. In addition to potential applicants to discuss proposed projects, conducted site visits and drafted proposed zoning amendments.

During 2004, the Board also conducted informative reviews and public hearings on "A Plan for the Protection of Open Space" (the "Open Space Plan"), which was formally adopted on August 19th as part of the Swanzy Master Plan.

Also, as in years past, the Board has had numerous discussions regarding various issues affecting Swanzy. The Board continues to grapple with often competing interests and goals. Housing is a perfect example. Swanzy continues to experience residential growth that impacts Town services, school infrastructure, in addition to one's quality of life. On the other hand, housing of all types is desperately needed in Swanzy. Another example is how to protect open spaces while, at the same time, allowing for development. How to plan for and manage growth is not an easy task. It is extremely important that community members take the time to become informed and involved.

Planning Board meetings are held on the first and third Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall and the public is always encouraged to attend. In addition, questions regarding Planning Board matters may be directed to Town Planner Sara Carbonneau at the Town Hall (352-7411).

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn W. Page, Chair

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 2004

The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall with the exception of February when it meets on the 2nd Monday. Notices of public hearings are posted at the Town Hall and the two post offices. In addition, notices are published in the Keene Sentinel and sent by certified mail to all abutters. Agendas and minutes are available for review at the Town Hall or on the Town's website at www.town.swanzey.nh.us

The function of the ZBA is to consider applications from property owners for the following: requests for variances; requests for special exceptions; appeals from administrative decisions; and requests for equitable waivers from dimensional requirements. The action and powers of the zoning boards are strictly controlled by New Hampshire law. For example, criteria for granting variances have been established by New Hampshire case law. All towns must utilize that exact criteria and only if the applicant meets all the criteria, the variance can be granted.

In 2004, the ZBA heard fifty-three cases. This is a 51% increase over the number of applications heard in 2003. Twenty-two were for special exception, twenty-eight were for variances (12 in 2003 versus 28 in 2004). It is thought that the increase in variance applications may be due to recent changes in New Hampshire case law, which makes obtaining a variance easier than it had been in the past. The Board also considered two requests for rehearing. In addition, the Board conducted four site visits.

The Swanzey Zoning Ordinance is available on the Town's website at www.town.swanzey.nh.us The Swanzey Zoning Ordinance was adopted in 1947 and numerous amendments to the ordinance have been made throughout the years. When zoning amendments are proposed, public hearings are held by the Planning Board in order to solicit input. For any zoning amendment to be adopted, it must be voted on by the citizens of the Town. The ZBA encourages Swanzey residents to take an active role in the development of regulations that effect each and every one of you.

Questions regarding the ZBA and its function may be addressed to Sara Carbonneau, Town Planner at the Town Hall or via e-mail to scarbonneau@town.swanzey.nh.us

Respectfully submitted,
William Hutwelker, Chair

CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT REPORT 2004

The Code Enforcement Department currently consists of the Code Enforcement Officer and the Fire Inspector. Both of these positions are part time. The Code Enforcement Department holds regular office hours on Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 pm and Wednesday afternoons by appointment only. Inspections and consultations are scheduled on an as requested basis.

The Code Enforcement Department is responsible for the review and issuance of building permits, as well as conducting inspections during construction and issuing certificates of occupancy. In addition, the Code Enforcement Officer is charged with the responsibility of investigating and enforcing code and zoning violations, as well as reviewing for compliance with approved site plans. During the 2004 calendar year, the Code Enforcement Department issued 204 building permits. The estimated value of construction during 2004 was \$10,837,935.00.

Building in Swanzev has also been effected by new state laws-specifically the adoption of what is referred to as the "Statewide Building Code." The Statewide Building Code includes the International Building, Plumbing, Mechanical, and Energy Conservation Codes as well as the National Electricity Code, all impacting commercial construction. In addition, the State adopted the International Residential Code for modular housing. "Stick-built" residential housing in Swanzev is regulated by the International Residential Code 2000 with minor amendments. These codes run hundreds of pages long, are very detailed, and require expertise and training in their administration.

As Swanzev continues to grow, more attention should be given to the role and responsibilities of the Code Enforcement Department. To effectively meet the demand for services (including inspections relating to building projects, site plans, and other land use approvals; investigations generated as a result of citizen concerns; and enforcement of code violations) an expansion of the current department may be necessary in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Weston, Code Enforcement Officer
Ron Fontaine, Fire Inspector

SWANZEY POLICE DEPARTMENT 2004

2004 proved again to be a very busy year for the Swanzey Police Department. The commercial and residential growth in Cheshire County could be felt in the demands on our department's resources. We have experienced close to a 20% increase in the number of calls we have responded to in the past two years without an increase in the number of officers available to handle these demands. Looking to the near future, I envision the demands on the Police Department's resources being challenged at an even greater rate. All of the town's resources will be taxed: Swanzey appears to be on the verge of dynamic and explosive growth. Looking at what this growth consists of and what growth is inevitable in the near term, our town services need to be ready to provide quality service to meet the rising demands. This explosive growth will certainly challenge all department heads to plan ahead. As our community's population is growing, so is the development of our land with both commercial and residential construction.

We've continued to strive to improve our customer service. Our officers have continued to work with two Neighborhood Watch Programs and we continue to regularly visit our elementary schools, interacting with both the staff and the students. We continued to build on our partnership with Monadnock Regional High School's internship program. We had one high school student as an intern this past year and we also entered into a partnership with the New England Technical College by having a college freshman intern with us. We stand behind our Department's Core Values; *Fairness, Compassion, and Integrity*. Our Core Values are the key to how we deliver our services.

Our officers continue to attend professional development and advanced training programs to help us stay on the leading edge of law enforcement technology and concepts. As chief, I am actively involved in several county and state law enforcement committees, including being elected, for the second consecutive year, as the President of the Cheshire County Police Chief's Association. I believe this involvement will benefit the Town of Swanzey. The Swanzey Police Department believes strongly in being a "team player." We continue to focus on working harmoniously with other town departments to improve the quality of life in Swanzey.

I am very proud to be a member of the Swanzey Police Department. Swanzey is fortunate to have caring and conscientious personnel in their police department. I would like to thank each and every one of our officers and support staff for their work ethic and job performance.

I encourage members of the community to get to know their police officers. I look forward to citizens stopping by the station, asking questions, and learning what we do. I believe it is important for us to have a partnership with the community we serve. I think they will like what they see and hear. Our officers help keep Swanzey a safe community in which to reside and do business. It is, however, a very busy community with regard to police activities and demands.

The following is some statistical information with regard to a sampling of the types and numbers of incidents the Swanzey Police Department handled in 2004.

STATISTICS

Calls for service	6,411
M/V Citations	1,975
Motor Vehicle Accidents	221
Arrests	233

Among these calls were:

Speeding enforcement	852
Driving while intoxicated	26
Sexual assaults	18
Assaults	73
Drug investigations	23
Larceny	179
Burglary	25
Protective custody	69
Criminal mischief	91
Domestic disturbances	119
Citizen requests for help	438
Assist other agencies	315
Suspicious activity	423
Juvenile calls	126

As Chief, I am committed to excellence and professional service. The Swanzey Police Department is in the customer service business. The citizens of Swanzey are our customers. We will continue to strive, through training and hard work, to provide the Town of Swanzey with the type of professional policing they deserve. We look forward to another year working with the Swanzey Fire Department, Swanzey Department of Public Works, and Swanzey Emergency Management to provide the residents with the best in emergency services.

Sincerely,
Richard V.C. Busick IV
Chief of Police

SWANZEY FIRE DEPARTMENT 2004

The Selectmen of Swanzeý appointed me Fire Chief in July 2004, and I would like to thank them and the Town for the opportunity to serve. Last year's Town Meeting funded the part time chief's position at \$12,000 per year and I continue to be the primary, and sometimes only responder to weekday emergencies.

During 2004 the department completed the switch to the high band frequency that neighboring communities use. Major funding came from the 2003 Assistance to Firefighters Grant and the State Interoperability Project. The new radios and pagers will enhance our safety and allow us to communicate with other federal, state and local agencies

Maintaining an adequate water supply for firefighting will be the focus of training this year. The utility truck stationed at the Center has been outfitted to respond to medical emergencies and is small enough to traverse the covered bridge to the Matthews Road area. The possibility of a mass casualty incident at the airport, schools, or on the highways is being addressed with a cache of medical supplies and triage equipment funded through Homeland Security Grants.

The shortage of manpower weekdays is a problem that must be solved. Swanzeý continues to grow and we must plan now to respond effectively in the future. A new fire station, or emergency services center to house the fire and police departments, has been needed for a long time. Technology is making new fire apparatus safer and more effective. However, costs are outpacing the funding levels of our capital reserve accounts and new trucks require larger stations to house them.

The companies continue raising funds to supplement the equipment the Town provides. Please patronize and donate when you can to these events. The members work hard at these events to ensure they are fun for the whole family.

We are pleased to announce that Swanzeý Fire Rescue Explorer Post #950 has been formed and eight young people are learning about the emergency services. They are:

Captain Tyler Tommila

Kimberly Arnone Matt Beal Dan Hitchcock
Scott Lewandowski Nathan Madden Rich Symonds Robert Symonds

Please join me in welcoming back Lt. David Page to the East Company. Dave has been serving on active duty in the war on terrorism and has recently returned home.

The following is a summary of the calls we responded to in 2004:

CO Alarm	5	Public Assist	3
MV Accident	83	Trees on Wires	9
Fire Alarm	38	False Alarm	8
Structure Fire	5	Chimney Fire	3
Brush Fire	5	Oil Burner Problem	1
Mutual Aid	23	Car Fire	7
LP Leak	3	Investigations	2

Rescue Calls	285	Assist Police	1
Wilderness Rescue	2	Fuel Spill	4
Electrical Odor/Fire	2	Miscellaneous	47
ATV Accident	2	Stove Fire	2
Smoke in Bldg.	2	Illegal Burn	11
Oil Spill	7	Explosion	1
Water Problem	2		
		Total:	653

Respectfully submitted,
Sylvester Karasinski, Fire Chief

East	Board of Engineers Center	West
Capt. Bruce Tatro	Capt. Gerry Bell	Capt. Robert Crowell
Lt. Ron Fontaine	Lt. Keith Bell	Lt. Steven Dunshee
Lt. Phil Thomsen	Lt. Geoff Davis	Lt Robert Symonds
Lt. Eric Kerylow	Lt. Dave Packard	Lt. Ray Phillips

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands cooperate to reduce the risk of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. A fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information contact the Division of Forests & Lands (603) 271-2217, or online at www.nhdf.org

This last year was fairly wet throughout the spring and summer months. However, we finished the season with an active fall fire season. In order to meet increased demand for services, the Forest Protection Bureau was reorganized into three regions with smaller Forest Ranger Districts and over the last several years we have added two Forest Rangers. The fifteen state fire towers were the first to report on many fires throughout the state and they completed many other projects on the low fire danger days. The state implemented a program called Tower Quest to help citizens learn about fire towers and the need to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. The United States celebrated Smokey Bear's 60th birthday in 2004, and celebrations were held throughout the state. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire smart and fire safe!

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS 2004

The Department of Public Works started the year with a bang. The winter was a very cold one, not in terms of severe below zero, but just plain below freezing cold weather. Twenty-five out of the thirty-one days in January the temperature never topped freezing. In February the temperature rebounded and was more normal for our operation. There wasn't an over abundance of snow storms to deal with in the first three months of the year, nor was there much towards the end of the year. The spring and summer months proved once again to be wetter than normal and that brought on its' own set of problems. The gravel roads were more of a chore to maintain due to the extra moisture. Though it was wet, we were able to dodge most of the severe storms except one in August. In September there was a hard rain storm that brought over 4 inches of rain. Fall was pleasant and allowed the crew to catch up on the odd jobs that needed to be finished.

We had numerous road projects, the largest was paving a portion of Troy Hill Road. Because that section of the road was too narrow to just pave, the crew spent approximately six weeks grubbing, cutting brush, removing four large trees, blasting rocks, resetting driveway culverts, and stoning the ditches. The crew was able to take an occasional break from the road work and care for some of the other jobs that needed their attention. I am proud of the work my crew was able to accomplish with the many varied projects we had facing us.

We also were able to grade and pave a portion of Pebble Hill Road giving us paved road on all the hills that lead to Winch Hill Road. Completely this part of the project cleared up one of the many problem intersections in town.

As part of our annual catch basin cleaning program several basins on Main Street were found to be in desperate need of repair. That was another unanticipated job that took our time and money away from other projects.

Many thanks go to Bob Nass of the Swanzey Youth Soccer League and Kerry Kelly of Swanzey Cal Ripken Baseball and all those individuals who helped or donated to build a new playground at Lane Field. It was a very much needed project and was a vast improvement over the old equipment.

I guess it is out of the question to ask for average or normal weather. That is what keeps this job interesting. Please feel free to call the Public Works Department at 352-7116 if you see something on the roads that needs attention or if there is a street light out, maybe we know about it, but maybe we haven't found out about it yet.

Respectfully submitted,
Lee D. Dunham, Director

Trevor Hood
Todd Trombly
Ken Page
Mark Fontaine
Ann Bedaw
Scott Patnode
Mike Caron



SUPERVISOR OF CEMETERIES REPORT 2004

The 2004 season has ended and the annual fall clean up at the cemeteries went very well. We purchased additional equipment and it made the task of closing for the season go much easier and faster.

This past season was quite busy with an increase in burials. There were 25 full burials and 30 cremations. Maintaining the cemetery lots throughout the season kept the crew very busy.

Now that winter has arrived, the cemeteries are closed for the season. It is my recommendation that people do not drive through any of the cemeteries once the snow is on the ground. The tire tracks from your vehicle can cause ruts and make it very dangerous for those people who walk through the cemeteries during the winter time.

If you have any questions about cemetery procedures, please contact me.

Respectfully submitted,
Morgan E. Wright, Supervisor of Cemeteries



RECYCLING CENTER/TRANSFER STATION 2004

Swansey is a growing town and it shows. Your tonnage processed is up again; 2,662 tons, a 6% increase over 2003. That's 25,700 lbs. every day we are open! Markets have been good in 2004, and we have returned \$90,000 (includes drop-off fees) in income to the Town. Markets for recyclables are forecast slightly downward in 2005 but should still remain healthy.

Our construction/demolition debris recycling is doing very well. We recycled 420 tons (up 26% from 2003). Unfortunately, costs have increased, but still remain cheaper than landfilling, forcing us to raise our drop-off fees. "C&D" recycling still remains a bargain for the Town and its taxpayers, as well as making sense environmentally.

The market for recycled glass still remains depressed and will remain so for the foreseeable future. Any revenue received will not even cover shipping costs. For this reason, we have recently purchased a used glass crusher which, when ready this spring, will further process the glass so it can be used in construction projects, filling, grading, improving the rail/trail beds, and the like. At this point, we will be able to recycle almost all grades of glass which will further reduce operating costs. We will let you know as this develops.

Electronics recycling, computers, TVs, stereos, microwaves, etc., is quickly coming of age. We have been watching these programs for several years, and with costs coming down and with more towns successfully implementing programs, we feel that it is time for Swansey to consider this program. While disposal costs are somewhat higher, we have to consider the R.B.S. (really bad stuff), such as mercury and lead, which should be removed from the waste stream. The increased disposal costs would be borne by those actually disposing of the items not by the general public. Further information will be provided in the upcoming year. Please let us know your thoughts.

And once again, thank you for your cooperation and support during another busy and successful year.

Recycling Hours
Tuesdays & Fridays 7 am – 4 pm
Wednesdays 10 am – 6 pm
Saturdays 7 am – 5 pm

Respectfully submitted,
David Krisch, Solid Waste Manager
Gerry Laramie Kevin Fleming
Fred Danz Jim Morse
Dave Whipple Ransom Webster
Carol Jeffrey Bob Blodgett, Jr.

SEWER COMMISSION REPORT 2004

Park Construction began construction on the North Swanzezy sewer, water, road, and drainage project on July 6, 2004. Work began on the east side of Wilson Pond and progressed in both north and south directions from the pump station #2.

The work to cross the airport to connect the sewer lines to the Keene Wastewater Treatment Facility began shortly after Thanksgiving and was finished before Christmas.

After the winter shutdown in mid January, work will start up the first part of April. Completion of this project is forecast for the end of the 2005 construction season.

The Haley Park Project on Route 10 will add an additional 60 users to the West Swanzezy Wastewater Treatment Plant by the year end.

The EPA discharge permit for the West Swanzezy Wastewater Treatment Plant scheduled for early 2004 has not yet been issued. The EPA has promised the permit for early 2005.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn W. Page, Chair

SEWER COMMISSION BUDGET 2005

Part time salaries	33,385
Commissioner's salaries	3,000
FICA Adjustment	3,394
Medicare Adjustment	794
Workers Compensation Adjustment	650
Legal Fees & Advertising	500
Recording Fees CCRD	100
Office Support Services	18,360
Telephone	700
Electricity	15,000
LP Gas	1,500
Maintenance	5,000
Property Insurance	1,500
Software Maintenance	800
Supplies	1,000
Postage	500
Testing & Chemicals	5,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	2,000
Tools & Equipment	1,500
WW Debt Service	<u>62,847</u>
TOTAL SEWER COMMISSION	\$ 157,530
N. Swanzezy Pass through users	<u>10,500</u>
TOTAL BUDGET ALL CUSTOMERS	\$168,030
2005 SEWER COMMISSION	

Sewer Commission Financial Reports

Sewer Fund Balance Sheet

December 31, 2004

Assets		
Cash		3,885
Investments		195,462
Taxes Receivable (User Fees)		50,455
Tax Liens Receivable (User Fees)		2,486
Total Assets		252,288
Liabilities		
Sewer Fees due to Keene		2,900
Due to Other Funds		10,872
Total Liabilities		13,772
Fund Equity 12/31/2004		\$238,516

Summary of Sewer Fund Revenue & Expenses 2004

Revenues		
User Fees - West Swanzey Current Year		114,516.26
User Fees - North Swanzey Current Year		12,384.28
User Fees-Prior Years		39,643.74
Interest		1,085.31
Redemptions		1,627.48
Interest & Costs for Redemptions		423.34
Sewer Fund Interest		1,802.30
NH State Aid Grant & Misc. Income		12,868.00
Total Revenues		\$184,350.71
Expenditures		
Operating Expenses (see Detailed Statement of Payments all Funds)		130,597.94
Remittances to Keene (Route 10, Matthews Rd, Greenwood Ave & Papagallos Users)		12,729.83
Total Expenditures		\$143,327.77

North Swanzey Project Expenditures 2004

Sewer Collection System & Pump Stations	906,395.45
Road and Drainage Improvements	196,582.75
Water Line Improvements (NS Water & Fire Precinct)	302,380.54
Total Expenditures 2004 (inc. construction, engineering & other)	\$1,405,358.74

HCS-HOME HEALTHCARE, HOSPICE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT TO THE TOWN OF SWANZEY JANUARY 1, 2004 TO DECEMBER 31, 2004

ANNUAL REPORT

In 2004, HCS-Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services continued to provide home care and community services to the residents of SwanzeY. The following information represents HCS's activities in your community over the past 12 months.

SERVICE REPORT

<u>Services Offered</u>	<u>Services Provided</u>
Nursing	3,083 Visits
Physical Therapy	630 Visits
Speech Pathology	6 Visits
Occupational Therapy	151 Visits
Medical Social Work	58 Visits
Home & Community Based Care*	4,675 Hours
Home Health Aide	3,763 Visits
Homemaker	2,502 Hours
Adult in-home care	5,500 Hours
Outreach	101 Visits
Health Promotion Clinics	24 Clinics
Meals-on-wheels	12,621 Meals

*Home and Community Based Care is a Medicaid Program which offers extended home care services to individuals who are in need of nursing home level care but can be maintained at home for a lower cost.

Total Unduplicated Residents Served: 425

Prenatal care, hospice services and regularly scheduled wellness clinics and child health clinics are also available to residents. Town funding partially supports these services.

HCS FINANCIAL REPORT

The actual cost of all services provided in 2004 with all funding sources is \$1,082,464.

The total cost of home care services provided for a partial fee or at no charge to income eligible residents in 2004 was \$32,741. We anticipate that the town funding will contribute \$16,000. to the cost of home care and \$5,000. for the Meals-On-Wheels Program for SwanzeY residents.

For 2005, we request an appropriation for \$16,000. to continue home care services for residents and \$7,079. for the Meals-On-Wheels Program. Thank you for your consideration.

REPORT OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT 2004

The Health Department is responsible for monitoring both drinking and swimming water at several locations, inspections of foster homes, day care and preschool facilities, investigation of housing complaints, septic system inspections, assistance in lead paint inspections and miscellaneous public health complaint investigations.

The following services were provided in 2004:

1.	Water Samples Collected	15
2.	Foster Homes, Day Care, Preschool Facilities	5
3.	Housing Inspections	6
4.	Septic System Inspections	14
5.	Miscellaneous Inspections	85
6.	Lead Paint Inspections	0
7.	Private Schools	2

The West Nile Virus Program will continue for 2005 with the same procedures as 2004. Statewide there were 54 birds tested for WNV and 14 were positive, a significant decline from 2003. We submitted 1 bird to the state lab for testing and it was negative for West Nile Virus.

A reminder of the new RSA 125-N, the state law which prohibits residential trash burning. Pamphlets on RSA 125-N are available at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert L. DeRocher, Health Officer

TOWN OF SWANZEY RECREATION COMMITTEE 2004

The year 2004 was very busy for the Recreation Committee. The Easter Egg Hunt was a huge success and the Easter Bunny reported he might need more help between the hunt on the MRHS sport fields and his visit to the Carpenter Home. The children enjoyed the Easter Bunny and the egg hunt. Numerous pictures were taken by the parents and grandparents.

Summer camp was very busy this past year and due to a high increase in enrollment a waiting list had to be created. Day camp has a capacity of 90 campers per week. It was so much fun watching the campers tie dye their t-shirts with their own creative designs. A demonstration was given by the New England K-9 Search & Rescue teaching the campers the proper procedures to follow if they became lost in the woods. Please stop by the Town Hall to see the many pictures of camp 2004 and all happy smiling faces.

Public swimming lessons were a great success and the staff is considering extending the program. It's wonderful to see so many children learning to swim safely.

Ice time at the Cheshire Ice Arena was again offered during winter vacations for the children at no cost to them.

We were able to help the residents of the Carpenter Home decorate for Christmas and with the assistance of some of the MRHS students make their Christmas more enjoyable.

We are always looking for new ideas and help. If you are interested please contact us.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Bohannon, Chair

MOUNT CAESAR UNION LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN AND TRUSTEES 2004

Mt. Caesar Union Library continues to run smoothly with the help of our Trustees, the Friends Group and the volunteers that help throughout the year. Fundraisers are held throughout the year and as a result we're able to offer our patrons fun and exciting programs. The money raised by the Trustees offsets the operating budget. The money raised by the Friends of the Library has again purchased yearly passes to five area museums. These passes will again be available in 2005.

The summer reading program, "Check Out a Hero," was very successful. We had 71 readers (16 more than last year) reading a total of 1,094 books (571 more than last year). For a third year in a row we were awarded the NH Kids, Books and the Arts Grant and we hired Dianne Kordas Romper Rhythm and Puppets to perform.

We were very saddened to hear of Hazel Fuller's passing. She was a longtime trustee and storyteller for the library. We extend our warmest wishes to her family and the Swanze community who knew her. She will be missed.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Old Homestead Garden Club for maintaining the library grounds and for donating the Christmas wreaths. Thank you to the Town's Department of Public Works for keeping our circular driveway safe for the community patrons and for maintaining the lawns.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan MacPhail, Librarian

The Trustees would like to acknowledge and thank the following individuals for their service and commitment to the Mt. Caesar Union Library:

Stanley Earle
Jane Johnson
Dorothy Bothwell
Patty Kershner

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday & Wednesday 2:00-8:00 pm.
Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 am-5:00 pm.
Friday 11:00 am-4:00 pm.
Saturday 11:00 am-3:00 pm

**MT. CAESAR UNION LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
TREASURER'S REPORT 01/01/04-12/31/04**

Balance of hand 01/01/04		\$ 23,007.97
INCOME		
Town Appropriation	\$ 48,499.00	
Investment Income	\$ 1,624.28	
Fines & Fees	\$ 593.45	
Fund-raising	\$ 3,436.96	
Donations, Memorial, Rotary	<u>\$ 1,980.00</u>	
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 56,133.69	
EXPENDITURES		
Operation:		
Books, Magazines, etc.	\$ 11,059.99	
Computer Expense	\$ 1,057.26	
Supplies	\$ 1,299.79	
Community Programs	\$ 323.53	
Dues, Other	<u>\$ 25.00</u>	
TOTAL OPERATIONS	\$ 13,765.57	
Facility:		
Insurance	\$ 1,630.00	
Security	\$ 1,736.00	
Utilities	\$ 4,395.48	
Repairs	\$ 780.92	
Custodian/Shoveling	<u>\$ 960.00</u>	
TOTAL FACILITY EXPENSES	\$ 9,502.40	
Other Expenses:		
Mileage Expense	\$ 258.40	
Subcontract Expense	\$ 599.00	
Audit	\$ 599.00	
Advertising	\$ 40.00	
Staff Development	\$ 100.00	
Postage, Shipping	\$ 154.78	
Bank Svc Chg	<u>\$ 21.00</u>	
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	\$ 1,772.18	
Payroll:		
Librarian	\$ 22,335.00	
Asst. Librarian	\$ 5,527.51	
Librarian Aid	\$ 727.50	
Payroll Taxes	<u>\$ 2,191.72</u>	
Total Payroll Expense	<u>\$ 30,781.73</u>	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 55,821.88	
Balance on hand 12/31/04		\$ 23,319.78

Respectfully submitted,
Patty Kershner, Treasurer

STRATTON FREE LIBRARY 2004

We are pleased to report that patron visits and circulation have increased again this year. There were 1,582 patron visits to the library and we also added 76 new patrons. A total of 2,663 books, periodicals, and videos were circulated as well as an increase in the inter-library loans.

Thirteen children participated in the summer reading program, "Check Out a Hero." Eight of the children read or listened to at least eight books and they each received a gift certificate from the library to be used at the Toadstool Book Store.

As usual, we had a display of photos and memorabilia of Denman Thompson and the "Old Homestead Play" during the month of July. These items are from the collection of the late Eddie Calkins of West Swanzey.

Last Christmas, Fran Esteves created a gingerbread house replica of our library which was on display last January and February. The house was again put on display for this past season.

We have one volunteer who has contributed many hours to the library and has helped with the many of our on-going projects.

Our assistant librarian is Fran Esteves. Our trustees are: Alan Collette, Travis Earle, Susan Ells, Vice Chair; Fran Esteves, Secretary; Jennifer Gomarlo, Chair and Treasurer; Robert Kenney and Ruth S. Pratt.

Please come in and see what is available.

Library Hours

Tuesday 2:30-8:00 pm
Thursday 2:30-8:00 pm
Saturday 10:00-3:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Haley, Librarian

NORTH SWANZEY WATER & FIRE PRECINCT

31 North Pine Street
North Swansey, New Hampshire 03431

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING 2004

The annual meeting of the North Swansey Water and Fire Precinct was duly called and held at the Swansey Town Hall on March 16, 2004 at 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

The meeting was called to order by Mark Lawrence, Moderator. Mr. Lawrence read the warrant for the meeting and the return of the posting thereon. There was a total of six Precinct members present including the Commissioners, Moderator and Secretary/Treasurer.

Article 1. The following officers were elected:

Water Commissioner - 3 years

Sylvester R. Karasinski

Moderator - 1 year

Mark Lawrence

Article 2. The Precinct voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$180,150 to defray expenses incidental to the business of the Precinct.

Article 3. The Precinct voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,300 to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for water lines.

Article 4. The Precinct voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for equipment.

Article 5. The Precinct voted to establish an expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Water Rate Stabilization Fund for the purpose of offsetting (or mitigating) impacts of debt service on future water rates and raise and appropriate the sum of \$24,600 toward this purpose.

Article 6. There was a short discussion of general matters concerning the Precinct.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, a motion duly made and seconded the meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sally A. Stowell, Secretary

NORTH SWANZEY WATER & FIRE PRECINCT 2004

The Wilson Pond Project is proceeding well. With project completion anticipated in 2005, the new and larger water main around the east side of Wilson Pond will be 'looped'. This, plus the installation of more shut offs, will allow for more flexibility in servicing any future repair problems without the necessity of shutting water off for most of the neighborhood as is now required.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert A. Beauregard, Chair
Fred R. Pitcher
Sylvester R. Karasinski
North Swansey Water & Fire Precinct Commissioners

**NORTH SWANZEY WATER & FIRE PRECINCT BALANCE SHEET
DECEMBER 31, 2004**

<u>ASSETS</u>	Operations	<u>Capital Reserve Funds</u>		Expendable Trust	Wilson Pond Project Fund	Total
		Lines	Equipment	Water Rate Stabilization		
CURRENT ASSETS						
Cash	\$ 43,311	\$ 133,884	\$ 19,412	\$ 24,600	\$ 158	\$ 221,365
Accounts receivable	37,872	-	-	-	22,265	60,137
Due from (to) other fund	24,301	(578)	(1,327)	-	(22,396)	-
Inventory	6,655	-	-	-	-	6,655
Total Current Assets	\$112,139	\$133,306	\$18,085	\$24,600	\$27	\$288,157
PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT						
Land	1,000	-	-	-	-	1,000
Building	6,049	-	-	-	-	6,049
Equipment	14,683	-	-	-	-	14,683
Pipe lines	143,827	-	-	-	-	143,827
Vehicles	21,034	-	-	-	-	21,034
	186,593	-	-	-	-	186,593
Less: accumulated depreciation	182,936	-	-	-	-	182,936
	3,657	-	-	-	-	3,657
	\$ 115,796	\$ 133,306	\$ 18,085	\$ 24,600	\$ 27	\$ 291,814
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>						
CURRENT LIABILITIES						
Accounts payable	\$ 18,133	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,133
Payroll taxes payable	962	-	-	-	-	962
Total Current Liabilities	19,095	-	-	-	-	19,095
FUND BALANCES						
Unrestricted	96,701	-	-	-	-	96,701
Capital reserve fund - water lines	-	133,306	-	-	-	133,306
Capital reserve fund - equipment	-	-	18,085	-	-	18,085
Expendable trust - water rate stabilization	-	-	-	24,600	-	24,600
Wilson Pond Project Fund	-	-	-	-	27	27
	\$96,701	\$133,306	\$18,085	\$24,600	\$27	\$272,719
	<u>\$ 115,796</u>	<u>\$ 133,306</u>	<u>\$ 18,085</u>	<u>\$ 24,600</u>	<u>\$ 27</u>	<u>\$ 291,813</u>

**NORTH SWANZEY WATER & FIRE PRECINCT
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004**

REVENUES	Operations	Capital Reserve		Expendable Trust	Wilson Pond Project Fund	Total
		Lines	Equipment	Water Rate Stabilization		
Water rents	\$ 144,221	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 144,221
Tax receipts	55,407	-	-	-	-	55,407
Hydrant rentals	4,050	-	-	-	-	4,050
Customer service income	3,195	-	-	-	-	3,195
Miscellaneous	1,308	-	-	-	-	1,308
Revenue sharing	536	-	-	-	-	536
Interest income	542	1,259	170	-	52	2,022
State revolving fund	-	-	-	-	302,356	302,356
Total revenues	\$ 209,259	\$ 1,259	\$ 170	\$ -	\$ 302,408	\$ 513,096
EXPENDITURES						
Water purchases	82,616	-	-	-	-	82,616
Hydrant rentals	8,100	-	-	-	-	8,100
Truck expenses	388	-	-	-	-	388
Maintenance - lines	6,153	2,837	-	-	-	8,990
Maintenance - building	2,223	-	-	-	-	2,223
Maintenance - equipment	74	-	-	-	-	74
Customer service	1,053	-	-	-	-	1,053
Utilities	933	-	-	-	-	933
Insurance	1,047	-	-	-	-	1,047
Legal and accounting	4,081	-	-	-	-	4,081
Office expense	545	-	-	-	-	545
Billing software maintenance	631	-	-	-	-	631
Uniforms and rags	1,398	-	-	-	-	1,398
Payroll taxes	3,450	-	-	-	-	3,450
Telephone	1,283	-	-	-	-	1,283
Licenses and permits	203	-	-	-	-	203
Wages	40,282	-	-	-	-	40,282
Water tests	1,750	-	-	-	-	1,750
Postage	634	-	-	-	-	634
Printing	1,653	-	-	-	-	1,653
Association dues	255	-	-	-	-	255
Depreciation	1,043	-	-	-	-	1,043
Wilson Pond Project expenditures	-	-	-	-	302,381	302,381
Total expenditures	\$ 159,795	\$ 2,837	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 302,381	\$ 465,013
TRANSFERS						
To capital reserve fund - lines	(4,300)	4,300	-	-	-	-
To capital reserve fund - equipment	(2,000)	-	2,000	-	-	-
To expendable trust - water rate stabilization	(24,600)	-	-	24,600	-	-
Total Transfers	\$ (30,900)	\$ 4,300	\$ 2,000	\$ 24,600	\$ -	\$ -
Excess of Revenue over Expenses & Transfers	\$ 18,564	\$ 2,722	\$ 2,170	\$ 24,600	\$ 27	\$ 48,083

**NORTH SWANZEY WATER & FIRE PRECINCT
RECOMMENDED BUDGET 2005**

Revenues	Received 2004	Estimated 2005
From Taxes	\$ 55,407	\$ 55,000
From Water Rents	144,221	140,000
Hydrant Rentals	4,050	4,230
Service Income	3,195	2,500
Interest Income	542	300
Miscellaneous Income	1,308	700
Revenue Sharing	536	500
Total Revenues	\$ 209,259	\$ 203,230

Operating Expenditures	Expended 2004	Recommended 2005
Water purchases	82,616	88,320
Hydrant rentals	8,100	8,460
Truck expenses	388	1,750
Maintenance		
Lines	6,153	10,000
Building	2,223	1,000
Equipment	74	500
Service	1,053	2,500
Capital reserve project	-	-
Utilities	933	1,200
Insurance	1,047	1,300
Legal and accounting	4,081	5,000
Office expense	545	500
Billing software maintenance	631	750
Uniforms and rags	1,398	1,500
Payroll taxes	3,450	3,100
Telephone	1,283	1,600
License and permits	203	200
Payroll	40,282	40,450
Payroll capital reserve projects	-	-
Water test	1,750	1,800
Postage	634	600
Printing	1,653	500
Association dues	255	300
Depreciation	1,043	1,000
Total operating expenditures	\$ 159,795	\$ 172,330
Capital Reserve Funds & Expendable Trusts		
Water lines Capital Reserve	4,300	4,300
Equipment Capital Reserve	2,000	2,000
Water Rate Stabilization	24,600	24,600
Total Reserve Funds & Trusts	\$ 30,900	\$ 30,900
Total Appropriations	\$ 190,695	\$ 203,230

Wilson Pond, Swanzey Factory, Keene, N. H.



Wilson Recreation Grounds, near Keene, N. H.



2005 TOWN WARRANT

Town of Swanzey State of New Hampshire

The Polls, located at Monadnock Regional High School, will open at 3:00 p.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. for consideration of questions to be decided by official ballot including election of town officers, whether to adopt SB2 (submitted by petition), whether to amend the zoning ordinance concerning Wetlands, election of school district officers and school district questions. The Town's Annual Business Meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Swanzey, in the County of Cheshire, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting and elections will be held at the Monadnock Regional High School in said Swanzey on **Tuesday, the eighth of March, next at 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon** to act on the following subjects:

Article 1: To choose by ballot all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 2: To vote by ballot on the following question submitted by petition:

“Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town of Swanzey on the second Tuesday of March?”

Article 3: To vote by ballot on the following amendment to the Town of Swanzey Zoning Ordinance:

Are you in favor of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

**Delete Existing Section VII – Wetlands Conservation District
Replace with:**

SECTION VII WETLANDS CONSERVATION DISTRICT (Amended March 8, 2005)

A. PURPOSE

1. By the authority granted in NH RSA 674:16-17 and 20 and in the interest of public health, safety and general welfare, the Swanzey Wetlands Conservation District is hereby enacted to regulate the uses on those lands defined as wetlands:

- a. To prevent the development of structures and land uses on wetlands which would contribute to the pollution of surface and groundwater;
- b. To prevent the destruction of natural wetlands which provide flood protection, groundwater recharge, pollution abatement, the augmentation of stream flow during dry periods, and valuable wildlife habitats.
- c. To prevent unnecessary or excessive expenses to the Town to provide and maintain essential service and utilities;
- d. To encourage those uses that can be appropriately and safely located in wetlands areas;
- e. To preserve and enhance those aesthetic values associated with the wetlands of this Town.

B. DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

1. The Swansey Wetlands Conservation District is defined as those areas of the town that are inundated or saturated by surface water or groundwater at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal conditions does support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions. The Wetlands Conservation District is sometimes referred to herein as “wetlands” or “wetland areas.”

C. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. In all cases where the Wetlands Conservation District is superimposed over another zoning district in the Town of Swansey, that district whose regulations are more restrictive shall apply.

2. Boundary Appeals. In the event that the Selectmen, Conservation Commission, Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Code Enforcement Officer or the Health Inspector, showing just cause, questions the accuracy of the boundaries of a Wetland area on a specific parcel of land, the accuracy of the boundaries shall be determined by a certified wetland scientist (as defined by RSA 310-A:76,II-a), with associated costs to be the responsibility of the Applicant (RSA 676:4,I(g)).

D. USES PERMITTED

Uses permitted in the Wetlands Conservation District, provided that all required permits have been obtained, are as follows:

- 1. Water impoundments, to the extent that wildlife considerations will allow and construction of wells for water supply;
- 2. Drainage ways, streams, creeks or other paths of normal runoff water;
- 3. Wildlife habitat development and management;
- 4. Parks and such recreation uses as are consistent with the purpose and intent of Section C;
- 5. Conservation areas and natural trails;
- 6. Open spaces as permitted by subdivision regulations and other sections of the Ordinance;
- 7. Forestry and Tree Farming in Wetlands.
- 8. Agriculture in Wetlands.
- 9. The construction or reconstruction of fences, footbridges, catwalks, wharfs and structures that enhance the site as wildlife habitat provided:
 - a. Said structures are constructed so as to permit the unobstructed flow of water; and
 - b. The natural contour of the wetlands is preserved.
- 10. Alteration of the surface configuration of the land by filling or dredging provided that:
 - a. The alteration enhances the wetland wildlife aspect of the site; and

b. The natural contour of the wetland is preserved.

11. Construction of streets, roads and other access ways, and pipelines, powerlines and other transmission lines.

E. SPECIAL PROVISIONS

1. No leach field or dry well may be located closer than one hundred twenty five (125) feet to any designated wetland. In instances of septic failure, certified to by the Town of Swanze Health Officer, the one hundred twenty five (125) foot requirement is waived if a licensed septic designer certifies to the Health Officer that a one hundred twenty five (125) foot setback is not possible; in that event, the system can be replaced to State specifications.

2. Wetland areas will not be used to satisfy minimum lot area and setback requirements and may not be used when applying a residential density factor.

The following warrant articles will be addressed during the business portion of the Town Meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the gym of the Monadnock Regional High School.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 3,744,023 which represents the recommended operating budget for the following purposes:

General Government	\$ 1,098,465
Police Department	547,643
Fire Department	179,844
Other Public Safety	297,007
Department of Public Works	668,411
Solid Waste & Sanitation	502,375
Health & Welfare	154,629
Culture and Recreation	135,399
Debt Service	160,250

or take any action thereon. (Recommended by Selectmen)

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 to fund activities of the Open Space Committee established as a result of the recommendations contained in the "Plan for the Protection of Open Space" adopted in 2004, or take any action thereon. (Recommended by Selectmen)

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$17,140 representing the balance of funding (salary, benefits and payroll related costs) required to expand the Code Enforcement Officer's position to full time, or take any action thereon. (Recommended by Selectmen)

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to authorize Selectmen to enter into a three year lease agreement for the purpose of leasing and outfitting three police cruisers and raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,000 for the first year's payment for that purpose, or take any action thereon. (Recommended by Selectmen)

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of

\$ 27,652 for the purpose of retaining (after July 1) the replacement police officer's position established in 2003 with grant funding that provided for assignment of a town police officer to the NH Attorney General's Drug Task Force (Drug Task Force), or take any action thereon. The assigned officer will be completing work with the Drug Task Force and returning to duty within the Town after July 1, 2005. Funding of this article will provide for retention of the replacement officer resulting in 11 full time sworn officers serving in the town including the School Resource Officer. (Recommended by Selectmen)

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from the Carpenter Home Special Revenue Fund the sum of \$ 295,975 to support operation of the Carpenter Home, or take any action thereon. (Recommended by Selectmen)

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to create an expendable trust fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a for Town Hall maintenance, repairs and improvements to Town Hall (Municipal Offices) designating the Board of Selectmen as agent to expend the fund, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 5,000 towards this purpose, or take any action thereon. (Recommended by Selectmen)

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to establish an expendable trust fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a for repair, maintenance and improvements to town fire stations and related facilities designating the Board of Selectmen and Fire Chief as agents to expend the fund, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 5,000 towards this purpose, or take any action thereon. (Recommended by Selectmen)

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to establish an expendable trust fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a for purchase of fire and rescue tools and equipment designating the Board of Selectmen and Fire Chief as agents to expend the fund, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 towards this purpose, or take any action thereon. (Recommended by Selectmen)

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 362,100 to be placed in the following capital reserve and expendable trust accounts of the town:

Town Hall Expansion	\$	25,000
Town Hall Computer Upgrades		15,000
Revaluations & Updates		22,000
Highway & Cemetery Equipment		50,000
Road Reconstruction/Reclamation		35,000
Covered Bridges		10,000
Town Bridges		30,000
Town Owned Dams		5,000
Cemetery Development		3,100
Department of Public Works Facilities		10,000
Fire Trucks		45,000
Future Fire Station		50,000

Emergency Communications	5,000
Recycling Center Improvements	10,000
Sewer Line Extensions	10,000
Carpenter Home	15,000
Mt. Caesar Union Library	2,000
Stratton Free Library	2,000
Recreation Facilities Improvements	15,000
Conservation Land Acquisition	3,000

or take any action thereon. (Recommended by Selectmen)

Article 14: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting, or take any action thereon.

Given under our hand and seal this ninth day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and five.

Francis W. Faulkner, Jr.

Francis W. Faulkner, Jr.

Robert A. Beauregard

Robert A. Beauregard

Deborah J. Davis

Deborah J. Davis

Selectmen of Swanzey

A true copy - Attest:

Francis W. Faulkner, Jr.

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Robert A. Beauregard

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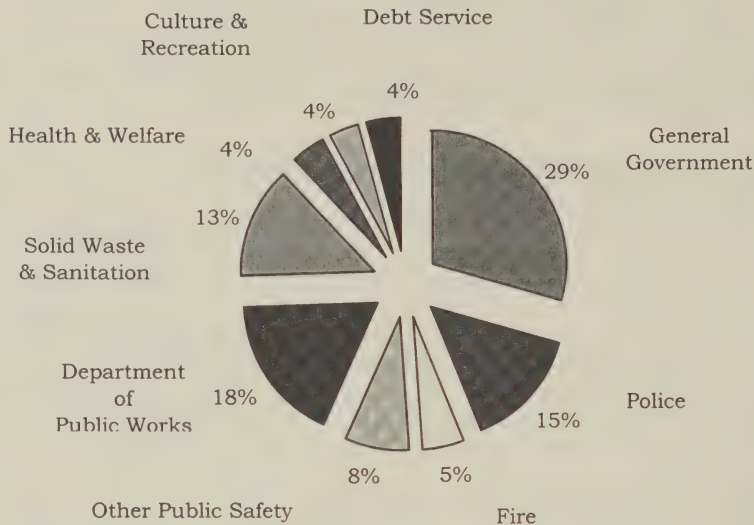
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Selectmen of Swanzey

2005 Recommended Town Operating Budget

excluding individual articles



Purpose of Appropriation	Approved 2004	Expended 2004	Proposed 2005
General Government	1,002,200	934,962	1,098,465
Police Department	513,823	513,734	547,643
Fire Department	181,594	175,064	179,844
Other Public Safety	269,327	289,256	297,007
Public Works	629,435	628,699	668,411
Solid Waste & Sanitation	449,767	442,031	502,375
Health & Welfare	140,535	150,190	154,629
Culture & Recreation	127,589	126,275	135,399
Debt Service	109,172	108,972	160,250
Recommended Operating Budget	\$3,423,442	\$3,369,183	\$3,744,023
Individual Articles	63,869	45,942	74,292
Carpenter Home	260,274	278,109	295,975
Reserves & Trusts	336,700	336,700	382,100
Total Recommended Budget	\$4,084,285	\$4,029,934	\$4,496,390

RECOMMENDED BUDGET 2005
Town of Swansey, New Hampshire

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Approved 2004	Expended 2004	Recommended 2005
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Executive	85,216	84,124	89,003
Elections, Registrations & Vital Statistics	71,343	72,160	71,267
Financial Administration	93,459	84,576	102,230
Reappraisal of Property	21,500	20,300	32,400
Legal & Professional Services	83,263	74,917	82,556
Social Security & Retirement	121,500	119,658	138,650
Land Use Boards	84,039	79,607	93,129
SW Region Planning Commission	7,638	7,638	7,710
General Government Bdgs	19,662	15,521	17,240
Insurance	377,575	345,122	428,025
General Government Expenses	37,005	31,339	36,255
PUBLIC SAFETY			
Police Department	513,823	513,734	547,643
Fire Department	181,594	175,064	179,844
OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY			
Special Duty Police	10,000	45,215	10,000
School Resource Officer	60,189	59,976	64,034
Drug Task Force Replacement Officer (1/2 Yr)	49,154	37,335	24,163
Regional Prosecutor Program	99,234	100,091	138,632
Special Duty Fire	-	-	1,500
Ambulance Service	28,250	28,250	29,435
Emergency Management	22,500	18,389	29,243
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS			
Highways, Streets & Bridges	535,500	535,905	561,950
Cemetery & Parks Maintenance	73,195	74,113	85,361
Street Lighting	18,640	17,581	19,000
Dams	2,100	1,100	2,100
SOLID WASTE & SANITATION			
Recycling Center	301,692	311,433	334,345
Sewer Commission	148,075	130,598	168,030
HEALTH & WELFARE			
Health Officer	5,885	3,763	4,169
Animal Control	9,850	5,568	10,000
Health & Welfare Agencies	41,750	41,750	42,750
General Assistance	83,050	99,109	97,710
CULTURE & RECREATION			
Libraries	74,374	74,535	76,384
Memorial & Old Home Day	6,215	4,770	5,990
Recreation Committee	47,000	46,970	53,025
DEBT SERVICE			
Principal - Long term Bonds	101,524	108,524	156,524
Interest - Long term Bonds	3,448	448	326
Tax Anticipation Note Interest	4,200	-	3,400
RECOMMENDED BUDGET	\$3,423,442	\$3,369,183	\$3,744,023

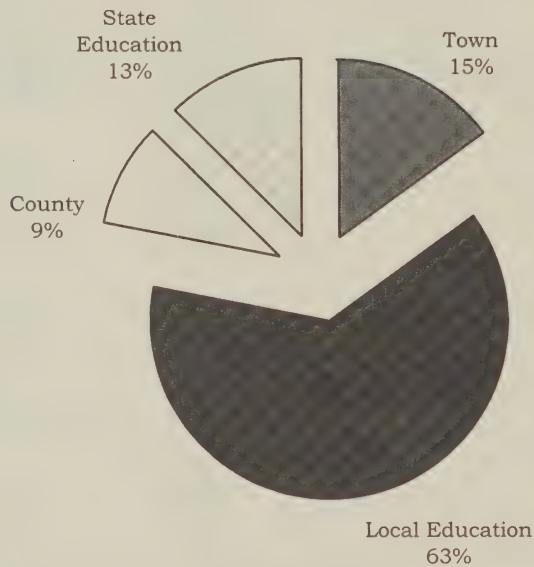
INDIVIDUAL & SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES	Approved 2004	Expended 2004	Recommended 2005
Open Space Committee	-	-	2,500
Code Enforcement Officer (Full Time Spring 05)	-	-	17,140
Cruiser Leases (2005)	-	-	27,000
Retention Drug Task Force Repl. Officer (1/2 Yr)	-	-	27,652
Town Hall Maintenance Expendable Trust	-	-	5,000
Fire Station Maintenance Expendable Trust	-	-	5,000
Fire/Rescue Tools & Equip. Expendable Trust	-	-	10,000
Carpenter Home	260,274	278,109	295,975
Capital Reserve Funds & Expendable Trusts	316,700	316,700	362,100
2004 Individual & Special Articles			
UHP Add'l Full Time Police Officer (2002)	49,154	40,015	-
Part time Fire Chief	6,715	5,927	-
Emergency Management Expendable Trust	15,000	15,000	-
DPW Facilities Expendable Trust	5,000	5,000	-
Acquisition of Main Street Parcel	3,000	-	-
Feasibility Study WS Water Company	5,000	-	-
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$4,084,285	\$4,029,934	\$4,496,390

ESTIMATED REVENUES	Estimated 2004	Actual 2004	Estimated 2005
TAX COLLECTOR			
Land Use Change Taxes	39,875	36,875	40,000
Yield Taxes	22,000	22,550	22,000
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	60,000	64,324	80,000
Excavation Taxes	2,300	2,296	2,400
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE			
Shared Revenue	287,647	287,647	290,000
Highway Grant	150,670	150,670	161,270
Forest Fires	-	-	1,000
Federal & State Disaster Aid	8,181	8,181	-
School Resource Officer	60,189	55,356	64,034
Regional Prosecutor Program	63,056	61,142	100,497
Drug Task Force Replacement Officer	40,000	38,006	20,000
LICENSES & PERMITS			
Vehicle Registrations	1,050,000	1,078,981	1,050,000
Dog Licenses & Dog Fines	8,500	8,510	8,500
Town Clerk Licenses & Permits	24,000	24,877	30,000
Building Permits	50,000	53,494	45,000
Event & Other Permits	2,500	2,491	2,500
INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS			
General Government	2,000	2,484	2,000
Land Use Boards	15,000	16,011	14,000
Police & Animal Control	14,000	15,812	14,000
Special Duty Police	10,000	47,184	10,000
Fire Department	500	1,047	500
Special Duty Fire	-	-	1,500
Emergency Management	15,000	16,368	18,394
Department of Public Works	2,000	1,776	2,000
Cemeteries	10,000	11,225	10,000
Recycling Center	75,000	88,199	88,000
Recreation Cttee	31,000	31,095	30,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE			
Interest on Deposits	33,000	46,804	42,000
Sale of Town Property	1,300	1,311	1,000
Repayment of General Assistance	350	335	500
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	17,000	16,181	17,000
OTHER FINANCING			
Income from Sewer Department	148,075	148,075	168,030
Carpenter Home Special Revenue Fund	260,274	269,210	295,975
Cemetery Trust Fund Withdrawals	6,000	3,755	4,000
Fund Balance	175,000	175,000	300,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES	\$2,684,417	\$2,787,272	\$2,936,100
Total Appropriations			4,496,390
Less Estimated Revenues			2,936,100
NET APPROPRIATIONS			\$1,560,290

Tax Rate and Commitments 2004

Tax Rate Information	2002 Tax Rate	2003 Tax Rate	2004 Tax Rate	2004 Commitment
Town Rate	5.29	5.42	3.46	\$1,545,201
Local Education Tax Rate	21.19	21.22	14.48	\$6,462,575
County Rate	3.32	3.37	2.14	\$953,827
State Education Rate	6.61	6.09	2.87	\$1,271,415
Total Town Wide Tax Rate	\$36.41	\$36.10	\$22.95	\$10,233,018
NS Water & Fire Precinct	0.80	0.61	0.75	\$55,407
Perry Lane Lighting Precinct	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

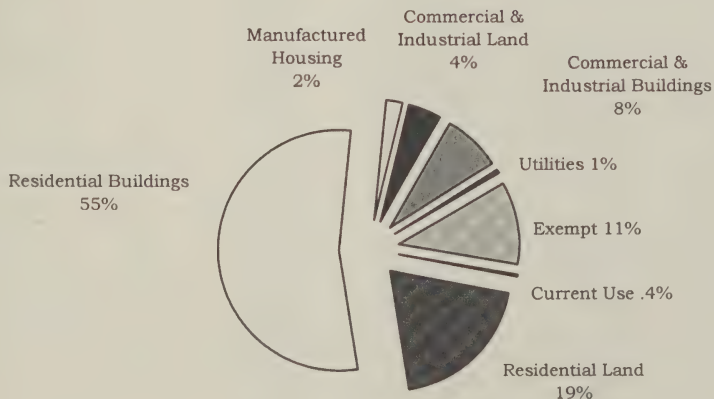
Tax Rate 2004



Summary of Assessed Valuation 2004

Breakdown of Assessed Valuation	Town of Swanzev	NS Water & Fire	Perry Ln Light
Current Use Land	2,051,663.00	20612	0.00
Residential Land	97,809,860.00	15563960	0.00
Commercial/Industrial Land	21,429,498.00	3609700	0.00
Residential Buildings	271,948,100.00	39040500	4,347,900.00
Manufactured Housing	12,056,400.00	101400	0.00
Commercial & Industrial Buildings	39,356,121.00	14421800	0.00
Public Utilities	3,285,621.00	448500	0.00
Total Value Before Statutory Exemptions	447,937,263	73,206,472	4,347,900
<u>Exemptions</u>			
Certain Disabled Veterans	249,700.00	0	0.00
Blind Exemptions	159,400.00	45000	15,000.00
Elderly Exemptions	1,401,100.00	250000	25,000.00
Solar Exemptions	27,440.00	7250	0.00
Total Value of Statutory Exemptions	1,837,640	302,250	40,000
Exempt Land (not included above)	17,622,982.00		
Exempt Buildings	37,989,079.00		
NET VALUATION FOR LOCAL TAX RATES	\$446,099,623	\$72,904,222	\$4,307,900
NET VALUATION STATE EDUCATION RATE (less utilities)	\$442,814,002		

**Breakdown of 2004
Assessed Value**



Notes

Comparative Statement of Receipts, Receivables and Expenditures 2004

Line Items	Appropriations 2004	Receipts, inc. Acct. Receivable & Reimbursements	Amount Available	Expended 2004	Available Balance (Overdraft)
General Government	1,002,200	18,660.74	1,002,200.00	934,962.29	67,237.71
Police Department	513,823	15,811.81	513,823.00	513,733.72	89.28
Fire Department	181,594	1,047.04	181,594.00	175,064.03	6,529.97
Special Duty Police	10,000	48,175.88	48,175.88	45,214.69	2,961.19
School Resource Officer	60,189	59,975.70	60,189.00	59,975.70	213.30
Drug Task Force Rep. Officer	49,154	37,319.89	49,154.00	37,334.84	11,819.16
Regional Prosecutor	99,234	64,453.30	101,713.24	100,091.45	1,621.79
Ambulance Service	28,250	0.00	28,250.00	28,250.00	0.00
Emergency Management	22,500	17,626.79	22,500.00	18,389.32	4,110.68
Highways, Streets & Bridges	535,500	1,776.40	535,500.00	535,905.00	(405.00)
Cemeteries & Parks	73,195	11,225.00	73,195.00	74,113.26	(918.26)
Street & Bridge Lights	18,640	0.00	18,640.00	17,580.70	1,059.30
Dams	2,100	0.00	2,100.00	1,100.00	1,000.00
Recycling Center	301,692	88,198.69	301,692.00	311,432.75	(9,740.75)
West Swanzy WWTP	148,075	0.00	148,075.00	130,597.94	17,477.06
Health Officer	5,885	0.00	5,885.00	3,762.55	2,122.45
Animal Control	9,850	0.00	9,850.00	5,568.05	4,281.95
Health Agencies	41,750	0.00	41,750.00	41,749.98	0.02
General Assistance	83,050	335.27	83,050.00	99,109.22	(16,059.22)
Libraries	74,374	0.00	74,374.00	74,535.15	(161.15)
Recreation	47,000	31,095.00	47,000.00	46,970.31	29.69
Old Home Day/Memorial Day	6,215	0.00	6,215.00	4,769.83	1,445.17
Debt Service	109,172	0.00	109,172.00	108,972.00	200.00
UHP Additional FT Officer (2002)	49,154	0.00	49,154.00	40,015.46	9,138.54
Part time Fire Chief	6,715	0.00	6,715.00	5,927.07	787.93
Emergency Mgt Expend. Trust	15,000	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
DPW Facilities Expend. Trust	5,000	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Acquisition Main Street Parcel	3,000	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
Feasibility Study WS H20 Company	5,000	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
Carpenter Home Operating Expenses	260,274	269,325.73	269,325.73	278,109.46	(8,783.73)
<u>Withdrawn from Reserves & Trusts</u>					
Town Hall Computer Upgrade	0.00	5,476.35	5,476.35	5,476.35	0.00
2004 Revaluation Project	0.00	128,387.00	128,387.00	128,387.00	0.00
Fire Act Radio Grant	0.00	40,665.06	40,665.06	40,665.06	0.00
Homeland Security Grant	0.00	4,143.82	4,143.82	4,143.82	0.00
1990 Pierce Fire Truck	0.00	46,000.00	46,000.00	46,000.00	0.00
Wilson Pond Road Relocation	0.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00
Richardson Park Improvements	0.00	20,061.10	20,061.10	20,061.10	0.00
DPW F-550 Dump Truck	0.00	52,906.76	52,906.76	52,906.76	0.00
Recycling Glass Crusher	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Carpenter Home Improvements	0.00	11,781.00	11,781.00	11,781.00	0.00
<u>Various Financing Sources & Grants</u>					
Land Use Professional Services	0.00	14,481.25	14,481.25	14,481.25	0.00
Drug Task Force Overtime	0.00	1,337.47	1,337.47	1,337.47	0.00
Police Cruiser (Dodge Intrepid)	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
West Street Bridge Project	0.00	47,378.33	47,378.33	47,378.33	0.00
Rail Trail Grant	0.00	2,064.81	2,064.81	2,064.81	0.00
Mill K TE Trailhead Lot Project	0.00	5,287.10	5,287.10	5,287.10	0.00
Carpenter Home Resident Accounts	0.00	6,014.32	6,014.32	6,083.88	(69.56)
Carp. Home Programs & Donations	0.00	1,536.99	1,536.99	1,038.27	498.72
Cemetery Trust Funds	0.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	0.00
Cemetery Lot Assignments	0.00	3,100.00	3,100.00	0.00	3,100.00
Cemetery Cornerstones	0.00	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,400.00	0.00
Crabapple Tree Fund	0.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
Conservation Commission	0.00	1,697.42	1,697.42	1,697.42	0.00
Insurance Claims, COBRA & Retirees	0.00	12,533.75	12,533.75	12,533.75	0.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,767,585	\$1,096,696.02	\$4,248,960.63	\$4,141,374.39	\$107,586.24

GENERAL FUND DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS 2004		
FROM LOCAL TAXES	Property Taxes - Current Year (CY)	9,458,133.86
	Property Taxes - Previous Year (PY)	331,133.39
	Tax Liens Redeemed	278,490.65
	Land Use Change Tax (CY)	46,875.00
	Yield (Timber) Taxes (CY & PY)	22,549.89
	Excavation Taxes (CY)	2,296.06
	Tax Interest/Int & Penalties-Redemptions	64,323.81
TOTAL FROM LOCAL TAXES		10,203,802.66
LICENSES & PERMITS	Motor Vehicle Registrations	1,080,694.65
	Dog Licenses & Fines	8,510.00
	Fees & Dog Escrow Remitted to State	11,384.50
	Town Clerk Fees & Licenses	24,810.39
	Building, Event & Other Permits	56,261.18
TOTAL LICENSES & PERMITS		1,181,660.72
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	Shared Revenue	528,329.40
	Highway Block Grant	150,669.58
	UHP 2002 Police Officer Grant	4,987.49
	School Resource Officer Program	55,355.52
	Regional Prosecutor Program	61,141.64
	Drug Task Force Rep. Officer, Details & OT	39,683.26
	Fire Act Radio Grant & Misc. PD Grants	37,768.00
	FEMA Disaster Relief Funds (Snowstorm)	8,181.63
TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES		886,116.52
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	Police Department	15,811.81
(Income from Departments)	Recycling Center	88,198.69
	Highways, Streets & Bridges	1,776.40
	Cemeteries	11,225.00
	Fire Department	1,047.04
	Emergency Management	16,367.74
	General Government including Land Use	18,660.74
	Recreation Programs	31,095.00
	Special Duty Police	47,184.13
TOTAL CHARGES FOR SERVICES		231,366.55
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	Interest on Deposits (General Fund)	46,803.66
	Sale of Town Property	1,311.00
	Repayment of General Assistance/Deferrals	835.27
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		48,949.93
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	Withdrawals- Various Capital Reserves & Trusts	296,275.10
	Cemetery Stone/Lot Assign./Trees/Trust Accts	5,950.00
	Reimbursement Sewer/Conservation Commissions	217,925.43
	Insurance Claims/Retirees Insurance	12,533.75
	Payments in Lieu of Taxes	16,180.69
	Slate Bridge (Kingsbury Foundation Pledge)	6,694.21
	Carpenter Home Special Revenue Fund	299,168.44
	Carpenter Home Resident Accounts/Special Care	6,765.53
	Land Use Professional Services Reimbursed	12,822.50
	Time Warner Franchise Fees (PEG Access)	37,197.00
	CDBG Funds North Swanzy Project	11,766.00
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		923,278.65
TOTAL RECEIPTS RECEIVED BY TREASURER		\$13,475,175.03

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS ALL FUNDS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Executive		Elections, Registrations & Vital Statistics	
Personnel	73,802.18	Personnel	64,831.87
NHMA Dues	3,937.00	Election Supplies	4,844.76
Miscellaneous Expenses	3,564.84	Postage/Advertising	735.12
Town Report Printing	2,820.00	New Equipment	1,748.00
Total Executive	\$84,124.02	Total Elections, Registrations & VS	\$72,159.75
Financial Administration		Reappraisal of Property	
Personnel	74,930.32	Personnel	8,367.50
Accounting & Banking Services	9,436.22	General Expenses	8,307.76
New Equipment	209.95	Software Maintenance	3,625.00
Total Financial Administration	\$84,576.49	Total Reappraisal of Property	\$20,300.26
Legal & Professional Services		Social Security & Retirement	
Legal Services	25,272.55	FICA	53,773.08
IT Professional Services & Software	29,633.04	Medicare	17,550.44
IT Web Site/Misc. Services & Equipment	18,031.56	NH Retirement	26,992.50
Professional Services - Misc.	1,980.00	ICMA Retirement	21,341.79
Legal & Professional Services	\$74,917.15	Total Social Security & Retirement	\$119,657.81
Land Use Boards		General Government Buildings	
Personnel	69,959.00	Janitorial Services Town Hall	4,580.00
Plan Recording	582.17	Town Hall Electricity	2,465.84
Advertisements	2,548.81	Town Hall Heating Fuel	1,573.10
Subscriptions	302.99	Town Hall Building Maintenance	1,010.29
Postage	2,128.04	Town Hall Alarm System	1,059.00
Supplies, Printing & Prof. Services	865.95	Town Hall Supplies	1,653.66
Mileage (Code Enforcement)	1,913.64	Whitcomb Hall Repairs & Maintenance	111.01
New Equipment	1,306.77	Whitcomb & Grange Hall PSNH	331.97
Total Land Use Boards	\$79,607.37	Covered Bridge Alarm Systems	2,735.93
Regional Dues		Total General Government Buildings	\$15,520.80
Southwest Region Planning Dues	7,638.00	General Government Expenses	
Total Regional Dues	\$7,638.00	Tax Map Revisions	2,077.00
Insurance		County Recording Fees	744.57
NHMA Property & Liability Insurances	58,126.65	Telephone & Other Comm. Services	4,431.64
Health Trust, Life & STD Insurances	257,791.70	Software Maintenance	0.00
Unemployment Compensation	369.00	Service Contracts	2,276.34
Worker's Compensation	28,834.53	Leased Equipment	714.00
Total Insurance	\$345,121.88	Training, Meetings & Conferences	3,505.92
		Advertisements	352.83
		Dues & Subscriptions	2,652.03
		Office Supplies	4,036.40
		Postage	8,009.03
		Mileage	2,173.27
		New Equip., Repair & Misc. Expenses	365.73
		Total General Government Expenses	\$31,338.76
		Total General Government	\$934,962.29

PUBLIC SAFETY			
Police Department		Fire Department	
Personnel	412,140.41	Personnel	44,433.08
Telephone	4,210.99	Medical Supplies	3,541.14
Cell Phones & Pagers	3,666.73	Protective Clothing	10,235.75
Photo Lab & Supplies	5.79	Personnel Recruitment	208.00
Personnel Recruitment	231.76	Gasoline	1,398.74
Printing	545.33	Diesel/Oil	2,594.01
Dues & Subscriptions	587.95	Extinguishers & O2	1,415.27
Uniforms	5,502.66	Vehicle Repairs	8,583.58
Replacement Vests	450.00	Dues & Subscriptions	1,568.50
Office Supplies	1,777.16	Tools & Supplies	21,769.72
New Equipment (Office)	2,265.96	Fire Prevention Supplies	661.03
Postage	391.20	Training & Meetings	10,307.22
Books & Periodicals	435.38	Radio Repairs	3,618.12
Canine Program	954.67	Telephone	2,466.04
Training (Material & Supplies)	1,433.54	Electricity	5,124.59
Conferences, Meetings, Mileage & Acc.	1,538.86	Heating Oil & L.P. Gas	5,262.60
SPOTS Terminal	3,600.00	Sewer Fees	248.00
Service Contracts	1,434.50	Postage	52.63
Professional Services	43.60	Snowplowing	1,500.00
Firearms Training	1,228.99	Insurance Compliance	2,387.15
Data Processing	6,073.28	Building Maintenance	2,317.86
Case Expenditures	35.67	Forest Fires	3,357.86
Equipment Maintenance & Repair	650.63	NS Water & Fire Precinct Hydrant Rental	4,050.00
Radio Repair	90.00	Rescue Truck Leases	37,963.14
Vehicle Fuel	12,353.17	Total Fire Department	\$175,064.03
Vehicle Maintenance & Tires	10,652.59	Total Public Safety	\$688,797.75
Department Supplies	828.65		
New Equipment	6,895.63		
Janitorial Services	2,516.25		
Electricity	3,214.39		
Heating	1,599.17		
Building Maintenance	1,911.44		
Cruiser Leases	24,467.37		
Total Police Department	\$513,733.72		

OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY			
Special Duty Police/Detail Grants		Regional Prosecutor	
Personnel	33,430.71	Pesonnel	68,243.16
Medicare	484.74	Health, Dental, Life & STD Insurances	14,105.64
Social Security	89.86	Social Security, Medicare & Retirement	6,878.23
NH Retirement	2,516.94	Worker's Compensation & Unemployment	258.12
Worker's Compensation	570.06	Communications	2,826.64
Vehicle Support	8,122.38	Data Processing	1,200.79
Total Special Duty Police	\$45,214.69	Service Contracts	379.98
School Resource Officer		Dues & Subscriptions	595.00
Personnel	37,562.92	Training & Conferences	313.00
Health, Dental, Life & STD Insurances	13,297.92	Office Supplies, Printing & Postage	1,227.56
Medicare & Retirement	3,500.87	Books, Periodicals & Software	1,646.51
Worker's Compensation & Unemployment	650.52	Case & Legal Research Expenses	1,716.00
Communications	1,226.19	Miscellaneous Expenses	80.89
Training & Conferences	1,691.52	New Equipment	619.93
Professional Liability Insurance	975.00	Total Regional Prosecutor	\$100,091.45
Department Supplies, Uniforms & Misc. Ex	1,070.76	Ambulance Service	
Total School Resource Officer	\$59,975.70	Diluzio Ambulance Service	28,250.00
Drug Task Force Replacement Officer		Total Ambulance Service	\$28,250.00
Personnel	27,848.04	Emergency Management	
Health, Dental, Life & STD Insurances	5,297.86	Personnel	3,800.00
Medicare & Retirement	2,595.43	Telephone	1,829.95
Worker's Compensation & Unemployment	484.86	Electricity	1,039.32
Uniforms	133.65	Heating	533.07
Professional Liability Insurance	975.00	Building Maintenance	823.75
Total DTFR Officer	\$37,334.84	Generator Repair	1,019.98
		Food	57.10
		Dept. Supplies & Expenses, Mileage	1,480.50
		New Equipment	3,251.50
		Town Repeater Project - Mt. Caesar	4,554.15
		Total Emergency Management	\$18,389.32
		Total Other Public Safety	\$289,256.00

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS			
Highways, Streets & Bridges		Cemetery & Parks Maintenance	
Personnel	229,180.36	Personnel	43,228.68
Personnel Recruitment	358.52	Cemetery Electricity	124.74
Phones	2,656.40	Repair of Cemetery Stones	3,000.00
Outside Labor & Rental	16,395.00	Meeting Expenses & Dues	70.00
Electricity	2,323.60	Cemetery Equipment Repair	2,422.86
Heating Fuel	3,118.78	Cemetery Gas	1,704.50
Building Maintenance	2,227.27	Cemetery Supplies	1,698.08
Alarm Maintenance	1,107.50	Cemetery Fertilizer	2,008.95
Training, Dues & Mileage	1,054.09	New Equipment (Cemeteries & Parks)	8,515.09
CDL Testing	200.00	Parks Telephone	1,033.09
Uniforms	2,920.85	Parks Electricity	1,945.82
Radio Repair	770.55	Parks Bldg. & Field Maint. & Supplies	2,339.17
Asphalt & Cold Patch	122,847.36	Parks Plumbing & Supplies	1,817.28
Sand, Gravel & Hard Pack	34,399.35	Parks Rubbish Removal	3,205.00
Salt & Calcium	50,874.89	Parks Fertilizer for Fields	1,000.00
Highway Markings	4,653.04	Total Cemetery & Parks Maintenance	\$74,113.26
Gas	45.42	Street & Bridge Lighting	
Diesel & Oil	14,776.27	Street & Bridge Lighting	14,733.36
Oxygen & Acetylene	229.04	Blinkers & Bridges	2,847.34
Vehicle Repairs	18,016.59	Total Lighting	\$17,580.70
Tires	5,748.18	Dams	
Tools & Supplies	13,791.60	Fees & Repairs	1,100.00
Culverts	7,262.04	Total Dams	\$1,100.00
Bridge Repairs	948.30	Total Department of Public Works	\$628,698.96
Total Highways, Streets & Bridges	\$535,905.00		
SOLID WASTE & SANITATION			
Recycling Center		Sewer Commission	
Personnel	102,185.33	Personnel	41,496.93
Refuse Disposal	138,791.71	Social Security & Medicare	3,174.52
Equipment Rental	1,173.70	Worker's Compensation	409.00
Hazardous Waste & Ash Disposal	17,398.97	Advertisements & Legal Services	19.35
Tire Removal	1,286.25	Software Maintenance	746.30
Construction & Demolition Disposal	33,135.27	Electricity, L.P. Gas & Phone	10,602.66
Freight	2,302.18	Maintenance	1,251.95
Electricity & Telephone	2,686.45	Property Insurance	1,500.00
Heating Fuel	573.50	Supplies	1,865.71
Uniforms & Protective Equipment	1,635.60	County Recording Fees & Postage	800.96
Maintenance & Repairs	2,058.33	Testing & Chemicals	2,812.09
Department Supplies	2,613.47	Miscellaneous Expenses	182.31
Miscellaneous	640.40	Tools & Equipment	1,398.16
Training, Education & Dues	1,065.00	Debt Service	64,338.00
New Equipment	3,886.59	Total Sewer Commission	\$130,597.94
Total Recycling Center	\$311,432.75	Total Solid Waste & Sanitation	\$442,030.69

HEALTH & WELFARE			
Health Officer		Health/General Assistance Agencies	
Personnel	2,460.93	Home Health	15,999.98
Water Tests	207.00	Meals on Wheels	5,000.00
Trainings, Meetings & Postage	40.00	Monadnock Family Services	5,500.00
Mileage	254.62	Community Kitchen	10,000.00
West Nile Program	800.00	Southwest Community Services	5,000.00
Total Health Officer	\$3,762.55	The Samaritans	250.00
Animal Control Operations		Total Health/General Asst. Agencies	\$41,749.98
Personnel	2,718.40	General Assistance	
Pound Fees	660.00	Personnel	9,385.54
Department Supplies, Licenses & Postage	1,313.25	Medical Services	1,715.40
ACO Mileage	876.40	Food Vouchers & Clothing	1,025.71
Total Animal Control Operations	\$5,568.05	Electricity	1,786.14
		Heating Fuel	2,305.81
		Housing Assistance	82,560.04
		Postage & Department Supplies	330.58
		Total General Assistance	\$99,109.22
		Total Health & Welfare	\$150,189.80

RECREATION & CULTURE			
Recreation Committee		Libraries, Memorial & Old Home Days	
Summer Program Personnel	23,550.00	Mt. Caesar Union Library	48,499.00
Aquatic Personnel	1,287.32	Stratton Free Library	26,036.15
Strength & Conditioning Personnel	3,240.00	Memorial Day Observances	990.00
Richardson Park Personnel	12,670.71	Old Home Day	3,779.83
Richardson Park Supplies	601.70	Total Libraries & Events	\$73,649.97
Miscellaneous & Advertising	523.25	Total Recreation & Culture	\$120,620.18
Summer Program Supplies & Programs	2,616.56		
Aquatic Supplies	230.28		
Winter Sports	1,000.00		
Easter Egg Hunt	1,065.39		
Halloween & Christmas	185.00		
Total Recreation Committee	\$46,970.21		

DEBT SERVICE	
North Swanzey Project-Roads/Drainage	107,000.00
Keene WWTP Principal & Interest	1,972.00
Total Debt Service	\$108,972.00

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES, CAPITAL PROJECTS, UNCLASSIFIED & OTHER GOVERNMENTS			
Individual Articles		Capital Projects & Unclassified Expenses	
UHP Full Time Police Officer 2002	40,015.46	Computer Upgrade at Town Hall	5,476.35
Part time Fire Chief	5,927.07	Revaluation Project	128,387.00
Total Individual Articles	\$40,015.46	Land Use Professional Services	14,481.25
Carpenter Home Special Revenue Fund		Fire Act Radio Grant	40,665.06
Carpenter Home Personnel	169,286.81	Homeland Security Grant	4,143.82
Health, Dental, Life & STD Insurances	11,710.08	Drug Task Force Officer Overtime	1,337.47
Social Security, Medicare & Retirement	13,031.20	Dodge Intrepid (2003)	5,000.00
Worker's Compensation & Unemploy.	3,398.69	1990 Pierce Fire Truck	46,000.00
Fax & Phone	1,918.33	Wilson Pond Relocation	30,000.00
Groceries	27,415.00	DPW F-550 Dump Truck	52,906.76
Cable	1,770.12	Richardson Park Improvements	20,061.10
Pubilc Guardian Services	833.00	Recycling Glass Crusher	1,500.00
Nurse Consultant	10,702.04	Transfers to 1992 Cemetery Trust Funds	1,250.00
Personnel Recruitment	1,449.09	Cemetery Cornerstones	1,400.00
Public Service	7,241.92	Crabapple Trees Mountainview Cemetery	200.00
Heat & Gas for Stove	6,713.30	West Street Bridge Project	47,378.33
Alarm Monitoring & Maintenance	1,910.75	Mill K Transportation Enhanc. Grant	5,287.10
Service Contracts	1,724.20	Rail Trail Grant	2,064.81
Office Supplies & Postage	961.13	North Swanzev Project (inc. Precinct)	1,405,358.74
Printing & Advertising	1,833.89	Conservation Commission Expenses	1,697.42
Trainings, Meetings & Mileage	2,580.60	Insurance Claims/COBRA/Retirees	12,533.75
Dues & Subscriptions	198.50	Overlay & Abatements (inc. Sewer)	9,677.66
Uniforms	916.44	Total Unclassified & Capital Projects	\$1,836,806.62
Household & Cleaning Supplies	6,888.23	Other Governments	
Medical Supplies	317.36	North Swanzev Water & Fire Precinct	55,407.00
Household Replacement	589.76	Cheshire County	953,827.00
Resident Activity Supplies	189.50	Monadnock Regional School District	7,733,990.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	176.34	Total Other Governments	\$8,743,224.00
Equipment Maintenance & Repair	893.39	Total Articles, SRF, CR, Capital & Gov't	
Furniture & Fixtures	181.47	\$11,253,758.69	
New Equipment	767.28		
Grounds Maintenance & Improvements	25.00		
Building Maintenance & Improvements	2,486.04		
Total Carpenter Home Operational Costs	\$278,109.46		
Resident Accounts & Special Care	7,122.15		
Carpenter Home Improvements	11,781.00		
Total Carpenter Home Fund	\$297,012.61		
Capital Reserve Funds & Expendable Trusts			
Transfers to Capital Reserve Funds	205,000.00		
Transfers to Expendable Trusts	131,700.00		
Total CR Funds & Exp. Trusts	\$336,700.00		

General Fund Interim Trial Balance December 31, 2004	
Assets	
Cash	1,025,205
Investments	4,366,885
Conservation & Performance Deposits	82,139
Accounts Receivable	4,472
Taxes Receivable	1,199,560
Due from Other Governments	103,223
Due from Other Funds	216,784
Total Assets	\$6,998,269
Liabilities and Fund Balance	
Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	65,482
Accrued Liabilities	13,437
Due to other Governments	5,285
Due to Monadnock Regional School District	4,010,985
Due to Other Funds	107,000
Deferred Revenue	120,186
Allowance for Uncollectible Liens	75,000
Performance Deposits	2,792
Total Liabilities	\$4,400,167
Fund Balance	
Reserved for Conservation	79,347
Reserved for Continuing Appropriations	92,184
Reserved for SRDD (TIF District)	59,281
Unreserved Fund Balance	\$2,367,289
Total Fund Balance	\$2,598,102
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$6,998,269

**Long Term General Obligation Debt Issued
Town of Swanzev - December 31, 2004**

Year	Purpose of Indebtedness				Total Payments
	Keene WWTP		WS WWTP Upgrade		
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	
2005	1,524	326	37,500	25,347	\$64,697
2006	-	-	37,500	23,856	\$61,356
2007	-	-	37,500	22,365	\$59,865
2008	-	-	37,500	20,874	\$58,374
2009	-	-	37,500	19,383	\$56,883
2010	-	-	37,500	17,892	\$55,392
2011	-	-	37,500	16,401	\$53,901
2012	-	-	37,500	14,910	\$52,410
2013	-	-	37,500	13,419	\$50,919
2014	-	-	37,500	11,928	\$49,428
2015	-	-	37,500	10,437	\$47,937
2016	-	-	37,500	8,946	\$46,446
2017	-	-	37,500	7,455	\$44,955
2018	-	-	37,500	5,964	\$43,464
2019	-	-	37,500	4,473	\$41,973
2020	-	-	37,500	2,982	\$40,482
2021	-	-	37,500	1,491	\$38,991
Totals	\$1,524	\$326	\$637,500	\$228,123	\$867,473

State Revolving Fund Grant Payment Schedule West Swanzev WWTP Upgrade Project			
Year	Payment	Year	Payment
2005	\$12,569	2014	\$9,886
2006	\$12,271	2015	\$9,587
2007	\$11,973	2016	\$9,289
2008	\$11,675	2017	\$8,991
2009	\$11,377	2018	\$8,693
2010	\$11,078	2019	\$8,395
2011	\$10,780	2020	\$8,096
2012	\$10,482	2021	\$7,798
Total Aid WS WWTP Upgrade		\$162,940	

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

TOWN OF SWANZEY CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS & EXPENDABLE TRUSTS 2004

Type & Purpose of Fund	Balance 12/31/2003	Contributions 2004	Interest Income 2004	Expenses 2004	Balance 12/31/2004
<u>Capital Reserve Funds</u>					
Town Hall Expansion	49,221.73	5,000.00	489.25	-	54,710.98
Pres. & Restoration of Documents	3,140.16	-	30.98	-	3,171.14
Insurance Deductible Fund	4,381.02	-	31.87	1,000.00	3,412.89
Police Cruisers	14,811.47	-	146.06	-	14,957.53
Future Fire Station	79,747.57	10,000.00	794.16	-	90,541.73
Fire Trucks	158,639.25	45,000.00	1,353.53	46,000.00	158,992.78
Town Bridges (not covered)	143,875.05	30,000.00	1,438.07	9,475.67	165,837.45
Covered Bridges (restoration/repair)	63,007.11	10,000.00	629.06	-	73,636.17
Highway & Cemetery Equipment	27,297.69	50,000.00	214.36	52,906.76	24,605.29
Town Owned Dams	213,440.76	20,000.00	2,120.32	-	235,561.08
Recycling Center Improvements	32,800.29	10,000.00	330.55	1,500.00	41,630.84
Sewerline Extensions	43,242.05	10,000.00	434.14	-	53,676.19
Swanzy Sewer Commission	115,733.26	-	1,141.33	-	116,874.59
Mt. Caesar Union Library	14,415.18	2,000.00	143.69	-	16,558.87
Recreation Facilities Improvements	48,357.18	10,000.00	476.32	20,061.10	38,772.40
Conservation Land Acquisitions	33,485.50	3,000.00	332.54	-	36,818.04
N. Swanzy H20 & Fire Lines	104,803.73	32,637.00	1,259.18	4,815.88	133,884.03
N. Swanzy H20 & Fire Equipment	15,241.95	4,000.00	169.62	-	19,411.57
<u>Expendable Trust Funds</u>					-
Town Hall Computers (IMS)	3,081.72	25,000.00	47.38	5,476.35	22,652.75
Revaluations & Updates	126,737.58	15,000.00	1,211.60	120,822.00	22,127.18
Police Facilities	11,240.79	-	106.87	750.00	10,597.66
Emergency Services Complex	104.54	-	1.03	-	105.57
Fire Pond Fund	22,528.98	-	222.18	-	22,751.16
Emergency Communications	4,499.11	10,000.00	31.72	4,067.06	10,463.77
Emergency Mgt Facilites & Equipment	3,636.12	15,000.00	47.41	-	18,683.53
Rehab & Reconstruction of Town Roads	90,908.13	20,000.00	899.55	30,000.00	81,807.68
Covered Bridges (beautification)	2,512.58	-	24.59	240.00	2,297.17
Public Works Facilities	-	5,000.00	3.84	-	5,003.84
Cemetery Expansion Fund	18,449.66	7,200.00	187.50	-	25,837.16
Whitcomb Hall Rehabilitation	30,718.51	-	302.92	-	31,021.43
Carpenter Home	25,104.76	25,000.00	104.39	32,980.00	17,229.15
Stratton Free Library	4,431.82	9,500.00	51.03	-	13,982.85
N. Swanzy Water Rate Fund	-	24,600.00	-	-	24,600.00
Slate Bridge Fund	1,033.65	-	10.19	-	1,043.84
Swanzy Historical Cttee	97,716.17	-	945.69	4,000.00	94,661.86
Total Town Funds	\$1,608,345.07	\$397,937.00	\$15,732.92	\$334,094.82	\$1,687,920.17
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool		\$1,687,870.17			
Bank of America		\$50.00			
Total Funds 12/31/2004		\$1,687,920.17			

TOWN OF SWANZEY CEMETERY TRUSTS 2004

Income	Balance 1/1/2004	Income	Expense	Balance 12/31/2004
Various Trusts	\$23,122.21	1,388.65	3,755.77	\$20,755.09
Principal	Balance 1/1/2004	New Funds Created	Expense	Balance 12/31/2004
Chubb	\$840.00			\$840.00
Fleet Band Galaxy Fund	\$142,412.70	0.00	0.00	\$142,412.70
Kathleen Picotte		250.00		
Mark Fumagalli		50.00		
Randy Reil		100.00		
Frederick Patria		250.00		
William Stowe		100.00		
Thomas Newman		100.00		
Beatrice Sebert		100.00		
Bruce Guyette		200.00		
Addition to Dean & Maryon Kelley		100.00		
Total Principal Various Trusts	\$143,252.70	\$1,250.00	\$0.00	\$144,502.70
Interest		Principal		
Bank of America Galaxy Fund	\$20,755.09	Bank of America Galaxy Fund		\$143,662.70
Total Interest 12/31/2004	\$20,755.09	Chubb Corporation 96 Shares		\$840.00
		Total Principal 12/31/2004		\$144,502.70
Total Balance Principal & Income 12/31/2004		\$165,257.79		

**MONADNOCK REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS & EXPENDABLE TRUSTS 2004**

Type & Purpose of Fund	Balance 12/31/2003	Contributions 2004	Interest Income 2004	Expenses 2004	Balance 12/31/2004
<u>Capital Reserve Funds</u>					
MRSD Capital Reserve 1975	1,029,567.46	255,000.00	9,108.01	520,915.91	772,759.56
MRSD Special Education 1995	2,839.03	-	27.85	-	2,866.88
<u>Expendable Trust Funds</u>					
School Bldg Maintenance Fund	-	60,000.00	223.68	-	60,223.68
School District Special Education Fund		50,000.00	186.40		50,186.40
<u>Scholarship Funds</u>					
Larry Aro Scholarship	13,663.75	-	130.53	500.00	13,294.28
Att. Charles Donahue Scholarship	2,381.77	-	19.84	500.00	1,901.61
Edward Fairbanks Scholarship	1,568.92	-	13.99	200.00	1,382.91
Eleanor Greatbach Scholarship	-	15,000.00	29.07	-	15,029.07
Claudier Howard Award	2,137.18	-	20.26	100.00	2,057.44
Barbara Lerandeau Award	2,701.69	-	25.97	75.00	2,652.66
Paul Tucker Scholarship (closed)	245.00	-	0.40	245.40	-
Joseph Webber English Award	3,126.98	-	30.15	75.00	3,082.13
Eleanor West Scholarship	2,105.75	-	19.58	150.00	1,975.33
Total MRSD Funds	\$1,060,337.53	\$380,000.00	\$9,835.73	\$522,761.31	\$927,411.95
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool		\$927,361.95			
Bank of America		\$50.00			
Total Funds MRSD 12/31/2004		\$927,411.95			

TRUST FUNDS 2004 - Town of Swanzev & Monadnock Regional School District

Name Of Fund	Balance	Income	Expenses	Balance
Town of Swanzev	1/1/2004			12/31/2004
J. Edward Bouvier - Carpenter Home	972.98	41.92	0.00	1,014.90
Marian T. Brown Fund (Museum)	31,084.22	3,061.69	2,000.00	32,145.91
Charles Carlton Aged & Infirmid	6,134.60	316.89	0.00	6,451.49
Charles Carlton E.S. Community House	473.18	41.93	0.00	515.11
Charles Carlton E.S. Library	1,419.36	125.79	0.00	1,545.15
Charles Carlton Mt. Caesar Cemetery	19,040.78	817.40	460.99	19,397.19
Lucy Carpenter-Carpenter Home	16,859.16	15,059.41	0.00	31,918.57
Sameul Read-E.S. Community House	15,886.81	5,078.46	3,200.00	17,765.27
Frank Snow-Cutler School Fund	16.09	142.01	38.75	119.35
Frank Snow-Sidewalk Fund	43,868.45	23,491.73	0.00	67,360.18
Nettie Stone-Pavillion	1,754.83	75.56	0.00	1,830.39
Edna Whitcomb-Carpenter Home	2,359.69	264.04	0.00	2,623.73
Edna Whitcomb-Whitcomb Hall	7,019.22	342.10	0.00	7,361.32
George Whitcomb, Jr.-Carpenter Home	3,074.33	2,074.15	0.00	5,148.48
George Whitcomb, Jr.-Whitcomb Hall	6,653.79	331.73	0.00	6,985.52
<u>Monadnock Regional School District</u>				
Lloyd Scholarship Trust	60.57	643.57	163.18	540.96
Jenness Phillips Scholarship Trust	0.00	546.51	0.00	546.51
Income Balance	\$156,678.06	\$52,454.89	\$5,862.92	\$203,270.03

Investments of the Trust Funds - Town of Swanzev & Monadnock Regional School District

Number		Balance 12/31/2004	Expenses	Total P & I
of Shares	Description of Investment	Principal	Income	during Year
1,400	Gallaher Group PLC Sponsored ADR	5,050.49	3,040.52	-
1,400	Fortune Brands Inc. COM	8,666.21	1,764.00	-
5,100	General Electric Co COM	6,893.50	4,080.00	-
2,500	Union Pacific Corp. COM	10,690.11	3,000.00	-
1,350	Anadarko Patroleum Corp. COM	7,298.36	890.54	-
800	Chevron Tecaco Corp. COM	15,999.00	1,224.00	-
1,600	Exxon Mobil Corp. COM	5,772.06	1,696.00	-
2,080	Bell South Corp. COM	13,733.00	2,163.20	-
3,610	SBC Communications Inc. COM	34,592.15	4,512.52	-
2,008	Verizon Communications COM	31,288.00	3,092.32	-
0	Vodafone Group PLC ADR NEW	-	174.11	-
800	Consolidated Edison Inc. COM	8,502.48	1,808.00	-
900	Wisconsin Energy Corp. COM	4,671.95	747.00	-
0	Ford Mtr Co. Cap. TR 1 TOPS 9% Full Call	-	50.00	-
1,727	DNP Select Income FD, Inc	17,212.26	1,373.02	-
0	Galaxy Government Fund - Trust (from Income)	-	158,754.68	-
15,310	Vanguard Total BD Market Index Fd Inv. #84	156,854.77	18,411.39	-
17,742	Vanguard Short Tm BD IDX FD Inv. #132	181,500.00	1,090.58	-
17,368	Vanguard SNMA Fund Inv. #36	181,500.00	1,614.34	-
16,947	Vanguard Short TTM Corp. FD Inv. #39	181,500.00	1,205.22	-
	Galaxy Government Fund - Trust	23,760.37	71.54	-
	Interest from Jenness Philips Estate	-	474.97	-
Totals		\$ 895,484.71	\$ 211,237.95	\$7,967.92

Bank Fees	2,105.00
Trust Expense	5,862.92
Total Expenses	\$ 7,967.92

CARPENTER HOME 2004

The Carpenter Home is an Assisted Living Facility for the elderly and is located on 230 acres in Swanzey across from the Town Hall and the Monadnock Regional High School. Lucy Carpenter left along with the home and land, a sizeable restricted endowment to the Town of Swanzey. The Home provides assisted living services in a comfortable rural setting to both private pay and Medicaid recipients.

The Home has recently received an expanded license, which enables the Home to care for up to 16 residents. The Home currently can comfortably house up to 14 residents. We currently serve 13 residents. Although resident census has not yet reached capacity, steps are being taken to do so and progress continues to be made toward that goal.

The Home continues to undergo changes in operations and programs, work continues on deferred maintenance issues, and a new administrator has been installed. Updates were made to the heating system and new floors were added to some of the rooms.

The Selectmen have contracted with a forestry company to harvest timber from the property as an additional revenue source to the Town.

Administrator Dawn Rice arrived in August. She hosted an Open House in October that allowed residents, their families, staff and the public to meet her as she began her tenure at the Carpenter Home.

During 2004, the residents of the Home exchanged Valentines, had a Halloween Open House and had a visit from Santa during their Christmas party. Our residents looked forward to weekly visits from the special education students from Monadnock Regional High School. The students have been very good to the residents by donating Christmas wreaths for the house and giving poinsettia plants to each resident this past holiday season. The students also do arts and crafts projects with the residents every week. The residents also attended The Nutcracker ballet.

We continue to improve the quality of our services, and it is our hope that in turn it improves the quality of life for our residents. Gail Davis has joined us as activities director. She has established a daily program with the residents to do crafts, exercise, gardening games, manicure for all the ladies and more. We also have a beautician that comes to the home on a monthly basis and gives haircare to the residents. We will welcome anyone who would like to come in and volunteer. We also have some very active seniors who would appreciate someone who could occasionally provide transportation to activities in the community. If you are interested in volunteering, or helping in any other way, please call me at 352-2269.

Please help us to continue to make the Carpenter Home a valuable resource to the Town of Swanzey. The Carpenter Home intends to maintain financial independence while continuing to provide quality assisted living services to seniors in the Monadnock Region.

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Rice
Administrator

Carpenter Home Special Revenue Fund
Report of Operational Costs and Related Revenue 2004

<u>Revenue</u>	
Resident Payments (Room & Board Received 2004)	262,766.67
Room & Board Received in 2003 for 2004	5,293.50
Miscellaneous Income 2004	115.48
Less: Refunds	99.00
Resident Payments (Room & Board January 2005)	6,967.35
Revenue from Trust Funds for 2004 Facility Improvements	11,781.00
Resident Personal Accounts Revenue (billings) 2004	2,688.51
Personal Accounts Revenue (allowances)	3,067.99
Community Integration Program Revenue	833.26
Donation - West Swanzey Community Church	400.00
<u>Receivables 12/31/2004</u>	
Resident Payments (Room & Board 2004) Receivables 12/31/2004	8,216.43
Residents Personal Items & Community Integration Receivables	561.55
Total Revenue & Receivables 2004	\$288,658.04
<u>Expenditures</u>	
Operational Costs - Budget 2004 (see Detailed Statement of Payments all funds)	278,109.46
Facility Improvements funded through Trust Accounts	11,781.00
Resident Personal Accounts Expenses	3,565.89
Community Integration Program	638.27
Personal Allowances Remitted	2,517.99
Donation Purchases	400.00
Total Expenditures 2004	\$297,012.61
Special Revenue Fund Gain (Loss) 12/31/2004	(\$8,354.57)

Other Funds Available for Benefit of the Carpenter Home	
Balance Available Carpenter Home Expendable Trust 12/31/2004	\$17,229.15
Income Generated during 2004 by Other Trust Accounts	\$17,439.51
Balance of Income Available in Other Trust Accounts 12/31/2004	\$40,705.66

Reconciliation of 2002 & 2003 Operational Loss	
SRF Operational Loss Prior Years	21,199.00
Withdrawal from Expendable Trust for Carpenter Home - May 2004	21,199.00
Special Revenue Fund Gain (Loss) 2002 & 2003	\$0.00

SWANZEY BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE 2004

The SwanzeY Bike-Ped Committee has been busy improving the Ashuelot Rail Trail corridor from Pine Street to Sawyers Crossing Road. The Committee, along with a group of other volunteers, has improved 1,000 feet trail with recycled glass and shurpac. In addition, the trail has been trimmed and culverts cleared. Over 145 volunteer hours have made all this possible. The next step is to improve the signage where the trail crosses paved roads.

Special thanks to Terry Mark, owner of Clearwater Pool and Spa, who donated time and equipment to the project, as well as to John Summers' Back Country Sports, Keats Equipment and Northeast Soils & Sitework for providing equipment and expertise, making all of this work possible.

This year, the Town was notified that it was awarded a State of NH Transportation Enhancement Grant. This grant will enable the rail trail from Route 101 to Sawyers Crossing Road to be improved, providing for better access and use by bicyclists, pedestrians, equestrians and, of course, it will be great for snowmobilers.

In addition, the Committee sponsored a "bike the bridges tour" on Old Home Day. It was a great tour, so mark your calendar for this year's Old Home Day, scheduled for Sunday, July 17th.

The goal of this committee is to make sure that the Town of SwanzeY remains friendly to equestrians, bicycling, pedestrians and snowmobiles. Through volunteer efforts, we hope to improve trails and roads so that the next time you want to get a newspaper you might take the bike, horse or walk instead of using your car and all that fuel!

The Committee meets on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 pm at the SwanzeY Town Hall. Please feel free to come and join this group. If you would like further information about the Committee, please contact Town Planner Sara Carbonneau at 352-7411.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Russell, Chair



SWANZEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION 2004

The Swanze Conservation Commission (SCC) consists of seven regular members and two alternates, all of whom volunteer their time to try to help maintain or improve the quality of the air, soil, water, plants, animals, and other natural resources of the Town. We meet the second Tuesday of each month in the Town Hall at 7:00 pm.

SCC reviews project proposals with respect to their environmental impacts. Frequently these reviews involve site walks. 2004 saw a very large number of new development proposals, including those for over forty new houses, over thirty multi-family units, plus continued construction of 90 other apartments. A new bridge over California Brook on West Street is also "in the works." The Wilson Pond area is undergoing a major project with water and sewer hook ups and the residents will be connected to the Keene Wastewater Treatment Plant in late 2005. In addition, many requests for wetland permits came before the Commission. The new "Permit-by-Notification" Program of the NH Department of Environmental Services (DES), designed to help individual homeowners with expedited approval of their projects, came along in 2004, and placed more demands on the Commission.

SCC is responsible for monitoring land parcels under the former Land Conservation Investment Program (LCIP), now called the Conservation Land Stewardship (CLS) Program. Conservation lands Honey Hill, Mount Cresson, the Muster property, and the Swanze Lake dam area were checked and reports were submitted to the State. A parcel of approximately 80 acres in North Swanze was donated to the Monadnock Conservancy (MC) by Larry Page. Another 53 acres in the same area (also including 170 acres in Marlborough) had a conservation easement donated to the Society for the Protection of NH Forests (SPNHF) by John Northcott. We are indeed fortunate to have such generous private landowners and non-profit organizations like MC and SPNHF helping towns retain such open space assets that most towns could never afford to buy. Other town owned properties were also monitored.

Members attended several workshops on land resource management, new environmental regulations, wildlife habitat, etc. Work is ongoing with the Southwest Region Planning Commission (SWRPC) and the Monadnock Conservancy (MC) in obtaining and studying maps of natural areas of the town. Working with the NH Fish and Game Department, wildlife habitat maps for the town have also been obtained. We also participated in a workshop to continue to develop the NH Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP). SCC continues to participate in the Swanze Open Space Committee. Members attend some meetings and hearings of the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, and/or Selectboard where environmental matters are involved. Some SCC members also attend meetings of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Committee and two are members of the Ashuelot River Local Advisory Committee (ARLAC).

Violations of environmental regulations and complaints of alleged violations are also investigated. One of our projects completed this year was the restoration of an illegal excavation of a river bank which required extensive paperwork with The State of New Hampshire to be allowed to accomplish the task. Illegal dumping of trash, appliances, and tires along town roads continues to be a problem. We also endeavor to answer various environmental related questions and concerns from citizens throughout the year.

Some SCC members provided nature related educational activities to the children at the Swanze Lake Summer Camp. We sponsored two campers to the Barry Conservation Camp and offered a scholarship for a Swanze resident who is a senior at Monadnock Regional High School and intends to major in the environmental field. SCC funds were also expended to support the publication of twenty-five Open Space Plans. The Commission voted to contribute \$2,000 toward the Homestead Dam feasibility study.

The SCC also has committed resources to an Ashuelot River cleanup scheduled for 2005. Our annual canoe trip down the river occurs in early May with all interested persons invited. Watch for publicity in the spring with phone numbers to call if you are interested.

The Commission was also in communication with the "California Brook Natural Area Working Group," which is trying to preserve open space in the western hills of the Town.

SCC offers special thanks to Jean Blood who retired from the Commission this year after many years of faithful service and to Deb Crowder for her several terms as chair.

Despite the crush of regulatory duties, the Commission does hope to make time for more positive projects in 2005, such as road cleanups, plantings, and habitat work. Precious little land in Swanzey is reserved for open space; SCC requests that at least the usual amount be appropriated to the Conservation Capital Reserve Fund to help preserve the Swanzey that we all know.

From time to time, vacancies do occur on the Commission. If you would like to help Swanzey's environment by serving on the Commission please contact Sara Carbonneau at Town Hall or any Commission member. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen Stepenuck, Chair

ASHUELOT RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE 2004

The Ashuelot River Local Advisory Committee (ARLAC) was established in 1994 one year after the Ashuelot River was enrolled into the State Rivers Management and Protection Program. Members, nominated by local municipal officials and appointed by the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Services (DES), have been educated in a broad array of issues associated with the river and its watershed. It is the hope of the Committee to be a resource that works well between the interests and concerns of the citizens in the watershed and State authorities.

The volunteer Ashuelot River Water Quality Monitoring Program, in conjunction with DES Volunteer River Assessment Program (VRAP), is in its fourth season. Ten sites were sampled along the river's 64 miles from Washington to Hinsdale. Analyses were done for E.coli, temperature, pH, total phosphorus, dissolved oxygen (DO), turbidity, and conductivity with the City of Keene donating lab services for E. coli. ARLAC members, working with community volunteers, participated in a spring training session, leading into a five month effort of sampling once a month from May through September. Donna Hanscom of the Keene Wastewater Treatment Facility presented a summary of the samplings to ARLAC and monitor volunteers in November. Continued monitoring and public education will keep the Ashuelot River the vital community resource that it is today.

A regular task for the committee is to review and comment on state permit applications within the river corridor that may have potential impacts on the river. This year we submitted comments on projects proposed in Washington, Gilsum, Surry, Keene, and Winchester. These included 4 site specific applications, 8 wetlands applications, 1 wetlands complaint, and 1 shoreland protection complaint.

ARLAC continues to be involved in dam removal efforts, commenting on the proposal to decommission the Fiske Mill Dam in Hinsdale and participating as a member of the Homestead Dam Feasibility Study Advisory Group. This group was established to assure public input during the Dam Feasibility Study performed by the consultant team of Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. The goals are to 1) attain dam safety, 2) provide fish passage, and 3) ensure the safety of the Thompson Covered Bridge.

With input from ARLAC, the Nature Conservancy, in collaboration with the Monadnock Conservancy, Society for the Protection of NH Forest, and Southwest Region Planning Commission created a watershed based land protection plan for the Ashuelot Watershed. The Ashuelot Watershed was chosen as a priority area for its large unbroken swaths of undeveloped lands, forested areas and conservation land.

The committee meets each month on the third Tuesday evening in the Keene. The local advisory committee invites citizens and town officials to contact their local ARLAC representatives or the Southwest Region Planning Commission for more information.

Respectfully submitted,
Pablo Fleischmann, Vice Chair

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE 2004

In early 2003, with a grant from the Monadnock Conservancy and Southwest Region Planning Commission, the “original” Open Space Committee began work on developing a plan for land conservation. The hard work of this “original” committee culminated in the adoption of “A Plan for the Protection of Open Space, dated August 2004.” This plan was formally adopted on August 19, 2004 as part of the Town’s Master Plan. The Open Space Plan recommended that the “Selectmen should establish a standing Open Space Committee.” The “new” Open Space Committee was established by the Board of Selectmen in October 2004.

The Committee is comprised of representatives from town government, land use committees, and town residents. It receives technical assistance from the Southwest Region Planning Commission and the Monadnock Conservancy and other interested parties, town residents and former committee members who serve as advisors.

During the 1990’s, the town grew nearly twice as fast in population and new housing as Cheshire County as a whole. In response, the Town’s Master Plan emphasized the need to preserve the rural character of the community. The Master Plan calls for action to identify and protect high priority open space in town. This is one of the functions of the “new” Open Space Committee.

A full copy of the Open Space Plan is available at the Swanzey Town Hall, Mt. Caesar Library, and Stratton Free Library. It is hoped that the plan will also be available in the near future on the Town’s Website at www.town.swanzey.nh.us

We invite residents to contact any member of the Open Space Committee, Sara Carbonneau at the Town Hall or the Monadnock Conservancy with questions about conservation easements or other land protection options. We welcome interested residents to participate in the work of the Open Space Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
The Swanzey Open Space Committee

Committee Members
Suzanne Whittemore & Katherine Feist, Co-Chairs
Victoria Barlow, Deb Crowder, and Francis W. Faulkner, Jr.



SWANZEY HISTORICAL MUSEUM 2004

Thanks to a special group of dedicated volunteers, we now have most of the photographs protected in acid free sleeves and binders. The textiles have been wrapped in tissue and put in acid free boxes and the phonograph records have been cleaned. The genealogy records that Ed Calkins did have been put in acid free sleeves and binders and minor repairs have been done on our books.

When you think of all the things that need to be done, the task of getting the museum in order can become overwhelming. However, when you look back at what the volunteers have accomplished in the two or three years since starting the preservation process, you can see how much we have really accomplished.

Last year children from Cutler School visited the museum. We had set up special exhibits around the museum that pertained to Cutler School. The children were asked to find certain items that were identified with the school. Later on, Frank Worcester visited the class to tell them what it was like going to Cutler School back when he was a student. They were inspired to write and produce a play based on what they had learned. The students also videotaped the play. We should be very proud of these young children and their teachers. The museum now has a copy of the video so everyone can view the students accomplishments.

We hope to do more outreach into the schools and community this year, along with getting our collections in archival condition.

Respectfully submitted,
F. H. Worcester, President & Curator



VETERANS' COUNCIL EXPENDITURES 2004

Band (MRHS)	\$ 300.00
Flags (2003)	221.76
Flags	332.64
Facilities & Refreshments	300.00
Flowers & Wreaths	70.95
Guest Speakers	<u>50.00</u>
Total	\$1,275.35

Note: The appropriation funds Swanzeys Memorial Day and Veterans Day Tributes.

Respectfully submitted,
James H. Devine, II

WEST SWANZEY SIDEWALK COMMITTEE 2004

Year 2004, no sidewalk work was done.

Spring of 2005, the following work has been scheduled:

South Winchester St	290 feet
Cobble Hill Rd	<u>45 feet</u>
Total	335 feet

Respectfully submitted,
Stanley Earle, Chair

Allen Hood	Marjorie Read
Ernest Perry	Pauline Cheney
Henry Aveline	Lena Whipple
Gordon Ayotte	Michael Gomarlo

2004 TOWN MEETING MINUTES

Town of Swanzezy

State of New Hampshire

Polls, for consideration of questions to be decided by official ballot including election of town officers, zoning questions, election of school district officers and school district questions will open at 3:00 p.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. The Town's Business meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Moderator Gus Lerandeau called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Moderator Gus Lerandeau called Police Chief Richard Busick to the front of the room lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Selectman Charles Beauregard then came to the podium to recognize Deb Crowder for all her years of volunteering in the town.

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting and elections will be held at the Monadnock Regional High School in said Swanzezy on **Tuesday, the ninth day of March, next at 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon** to act on the following subjects:

Article 1: The following officers were elected by official ballot:

Selectman for Three Years	Deborah J. Davis
Town Moderator for Two Years	Alfred Lerandeau
Town Treasurer for Three Years	Roger W. Conway
Trustee of Trust Funds for Three Years	Nancy L. Carlson
Supervisor of The Checklist for Six Years	Lynda J. Faulkner
Old Home Day Committee for Three Years	
Board of Adjustment for Three Years	Walter W. Hutwelker
Planning Board Members for Three Years	Richard L. Lane
	Scott Self
Library Trustee for One Year	Robert J. Kenney
Sewer Commissioner for Three Years	Larry Crowder

Article 2: To vote by ballot on the following ten amendments to the Town of Swanzezy Zoning Ordinance:

Amendment No. 1 It was voted in favor of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

Amend Section VIII.C.2. to read as follows:

2. No lot dependent upon an on-site septic system, having frontage on public waters, shall be created with less than 150 feet of shoreland frontage.

YES - 670 NO - 236

Amendment No. 2 It was voted in favor of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

Delete "Section III.F." in its entirety and replace with "Section III.F." as follows:

F. The minimum size for a septic system for a new one family dwelling shall be a system designed for a three bedroom residence which meets all applicable state and local building codes. All other new construction shall meet the minimum size for a septic system as set forth by current regulations promulgated by the State of New Hampshire.

YES - 708 NO - 200

Amendment No. 3 It was voted in favor of Amendment No.3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

Delete "Section III.W." in its entirety.

YES - 480 NO - 407

Amendment No. 4 It was voted in favor of Amendment No.4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

Delete "Section XI.B.1." in its entirety.

YES - 654 NO - 232

Amendment No. 5 It was voted in favor of Amendment No.5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

Amend "Section III.S.10." to read as follows:

10. Signs Permitted in All Districts. The following signs are permitted in all districts without the need to obtain a permit from the Swanzey Planning Board:...

[Remaining text to remain the same]

YES - 714 NO - 183

Amendment No. 6 It was voted in favor of Amendment No.6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

Delete Section III.I. in its entirety, including subparagraphs III.I.1., III.I.2. III.I.3., III.I.4. and III.I.5. and replace with new Section III-A as follows:

SECTION III-A SWANZEY BUILDING REGULATIONS

Section III-A.1. Purpose To establish minimum regulations governing the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, repair, location, relocation, replacement, addition to, use or maintenance of buildings and building systems in the Town of Swanzey; providing for the issuance of permits; collection of fees; making of inspections; and for the enforcement of this Section as provided by law.

Section III-A.2. State Regulations Where applicable State of New Hampshire laws, codes, rules or regulations are more restrictive or preempt local authority, the state requirement shall be observed.

Section III-A.3. Administration and Enforcement The provisions of this section and its requirements will be enforced by the Building Inspector, hereinafter called the Code Enforcement Officer. In the absence of the Code Enforcement Officer, the Board of Selectmen shall perform his duties.

Section III-A.4. Permits A permit issued by the Code Enforcement Officer shall be required before beginning operations of placement of foundations, alteration, repair, removal, demolition or placement on a lot of a building or structure, including manufactured housing.

Section III-A.3. Means of Appeal Any party who has been aggrieved by a decision of the Code Enforcement Officer may appeal from such action by filing a written appeal from said administrative decision within thirty (30) days from the date of decision, said appeal to be filed with the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Section III-A.4. Residential Code Adoption Detached one and two family dwellings and multiple single family dwellings (townhouses) not more than three stories high with separate means of egress and their accessory structures shall comply with "The International Residential Code, First Edition, 2000" as published by the International Code Council, Inc. Said referenced code is on file in the office of the Code Enforcement Officer of Swanzey, New Hampshire. Said code is hereby adopted as a part of the Building Code of the Town of Swanzey for the control of residential buildings and structures within the scope of said code. The regulations, provisions, conditions and terms of said code are hereby referred to and adopted and made part hereof as if fully set out in this section, with any amendments prescribed in this section as follows:

1. Amendments

a. Amend Section R101.1 by inserting: The Town of Swanzey.

b. Amend Section R102.5 by adding: Appendices C and J are referenced and adopted as part of this code.

c. Amend Section R105.2 Building 1. to read: One-story detached accessory structures, provided the floor area does not exceed 100 square feet.

d. Amend Section R106.2 by replacing it with the following:

R106.2 Plot Plans The construction documents submitted with an application for a permit to build a detached one or two family dwelling on an approved, or otherwise legal lot of record shall be accompanied by a plot plan. Such plot plan shall be drawn to scale showing all property lines, easements, drainage facilities, and proposed and existing buildings with respect to location. Sufficiently detailed information shall be provided to clearly show the location and extent of any wetland area(s) located on or immediately adjacent to the subject property.

e. Amend Table 301.2(1) by inserting the following design criteria into the space provided:

Roof snow load: 70 lb/square foot.

Wind speed: 100.

Seismic design category: C(33%-50%g).

Weathering: Severe.

Frost line depth: Minimum of 48".

Termite: Slight to Moderate.

Decay: Slight to Moderate.

Winter design temperature: 0°.

Flood hazards: Flood Insurance Rate Maps dated May 5, 1981 and as updated thereafter.

f. Delete Section R112, Board of Appeals.

g. Delete Chapter 11 (Energy Efficiency) The New Hampshire Energy Code shall control such matters as provided for by Chapter 11 and elsewhere regarding energy efficiency as long as said energy code is in effect. In the event that the New Hampshire Energy Code is repealed, the provisions of Chapter 11 (Energy Efficiency) shall apply.

III-A.5. Modular Building Code Adoption Modular buildings as defined in RSA 205-C are subject to the provisions set forth in RSA 205-C and as may be amended. In the event that modular building standards are no longer regulated by the State of New Hampshire, the provisions of Section III-A.4. and Section III-A.6 shall be applicable.

III-A.6. State Building Code Adoption All buildings, building components, and structures constructed in Swanzey (excepting those regulated pursuant to Section III-A.4. and Section III-A.5. herein) are subject to the State Building Code set forth in RSA 155-A and as may be amended. In the event that RSA 155-A is repealed, the provisions of the most recent version of RSA 155-A shall apply.

YES - 585 NO - 250

Amendment No. 7 It was voted in favor of Amendment No.7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

Delete "Section XIV Penalties" in its entirety and replace with "Section XIV Penalties" as follows:

Whoever violates any provision of this ordinance shall be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed the maximum penalty permitted by State law for each day that such violation is found to continue after the conviction date or after the date on which the violator receives written notice from the Town of Swanzey that the violator is in violation, whichever is earlier.

YES - 586 NO - 258

Amendment No. 8 It was voted in favor of Amendment No.8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

Amend "Section VII.F.1." to read as follows:

1. No leach field or dry well may be located closer than one hundred twenty five (125) feet to any designated wetland. In instances of septic failure, certified to by the Town of Swanzey Health Officer, the one hundred twenty five (125) foot requirement may be waived in the event a licensed septic designer certifies to the Health Officer that a one hundred twenty five (125) foot setback is not possible, the system can be replaced to State specification.

YES - 478 NO - 379

Amendment No. 9 It was voted against Amendment No.9 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

Delete Sections V.B.2.b., V.B.2.c., V.B.2.e. and V.B.2.f. in their entirety.

YES - 405 NO - 433

Amendment No. 10 It was voted in favor of Amendment No.10 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

Delete Sections VI.2.b., VI.2.c. and VI.2.d. in their entirety.

YES - 438 NO - 401

The following warrant articles will be addressed during the business portion of the Town Meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the gym of the Monadnock Regional High School.

Article 3: It was voted in **favor** of raising and appropriating the sum of \$ 3,423,442 which represents the recommended operating budget for the following purposes:

General Government	\$ 1,002,200
Police Department	513,823
Fire Department	181,594
Other Public Safety	269,327
Department of Public Works	629,435
Solid Waste & Sanitation	449,767
Health & Welfare	140,535
Culture and Recreation	127,589
Debt Service	109,172

or take any action thereon.

Article 4: It was voted in **favor** of raising and appropriating the sum of \$ 49,154 for the purpose of continuing to fund the full time police officer's position established by vote of Town Meeting 2002 and previously partially funded through a 2002 Federal Universal Hiring Program Grant, or take any action thereon. This special warrant article is to ensure compliance with the provisions of RSA 32:6-a requiring voter approval to continue grant funded programs at the expiration of a grant.

Article 5: It was voted in **favor** of raising and appropriating the sum of \$ 6,715 to fund for a ½ year the costs associated with increasing the salary of the part time fire chief to \$ 12,000 annually, or take any action thereon.

Article 6: It was voted in **favor** of authorizing the Selectmen to accept, on behalf of the Town, a portion of Tax Map 72 Lot 29 approximately 7 acres in size abutting the West Swanzey Fire Station, Thompson Bridge, Ashuelot River and Ashuelot Street, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 3,000 to fund costs associated with surveying and transferring the property to the Town, or take any action thereon.

Article 7: It was voted in **favor** of authorizing the Selectmen to investigate the feasibility of Town (or a village district) acquisition of the West Swanzey Water Company, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 5,000 towards the cost of

engineering, appraisal, legal services and other efforts necessary to conduct this feasibility study, or take any action on.

Article 8: It was voted in **favor** of raising and appropriating from the Carpenter Home Special Revenue Fund the sum of \$ 260,274 to support operation of the Carpenter Home, or take any action thereon.

Article 9: It was voted, by a show of hands, in **favor** of changing the purpose of the capital reserve fund established for a police station by vote of Town Meeting 1993 creating an expendable trust fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a for construction, expansion, improvements and maintenance of police facilities designating the Board of Selectmen and Police Chief as agents to expend the fund, or take any action thereon.

YES – 110 NO – 17

Article 10: It was voted, by a show of hands, in **favor** of changing the purpose of the capital reserve fund established for reclamation of major roads by vote of Town Meeting 1989 creating an expendable trust fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a for rehabilitation, reconstruction and reclamation of town maintained roads designating the Board of Selectmen and Director of Public Works as agents to expend the fund, or take any action thereon.

YES – 145 NO – 8

Article 11: It was voted, by a show of hands, in **favor** of changing the purpose of the capital reserve fund established for civil defense equipment by vote of Town Meeting 1986 creating an expendable trust fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a for emergency management facilities and equipment designating the Board of Selectmen and Emergency Management Director as agents to expend the fund, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 15,000 towards this purpose, or take any action thereon.

YES – 143 NO - 10

Article 12: It was voted in **favor** of creating an expendable trust fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a for Department of Public Works facility construction, expansion, improvements and maintenance designating the Board of Selectmen and Director of Public Works as agents to expend the fund, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 5,000 towards this purpose, or take any action thereon.

Article 13: It was voted in **favor** of raising and appropriating the sum of \$ 316,700 to be placed in the following capital reserve and expendable trust accounts of the town:

Town Hall Expansion	\$	5,000
Town Hall Computer Upgrades		25,000
Revaluations & Updates		15,000
Highway & Cemetery Equipment		50,000
Road Reclamation		20,000

Covered Bridges	10,000
Town Bridges	30,000
Town Owned Dams	20,000
Cemetery Development	7,200
Fire Trucks	45,000
Fire Station	10,000
Emergency Communications	10,000
Recycling Center Improvements	10,000
Sewer Line Extensions	10,000
Carpenter Home	25,000
Mt. Caesar Union Library	2,000
Stratton Free Library	9,500
Recreation Fac. Improvements	10,000
Conservation Land Acquisition	3,000

or take any action thereon.

Article 14: It was voted by Yes/No ballot in **favor** of adopting the provisions of RSA 41:14-a, indefinitely until rescinded, granting the Selectmen authority to acquire or sell land, buildings or both; provided however, they shall first submit any such proposed acquisition or sale to the Planning Board and to the Conservation Commission for review and recommendations by those bodies and after receiving those recommendations, Selectmen shall hold at least 2 public hearings on the proposed acquisition or sale; in addition, upon petition of 50 registered voters presented prior to the Selectmen's vote, the proposed acquisition or sale shall be inserted as an article in the warrant for the Town Meeting, or take any action thereon. In accordance with RSA 41:14-a, this authorization shall not apply to town owned conservation land managed and controlled by the Conservation Commission pursuant to RSA 36-A, town forests established under RSA 31:110 or any real estate that has been given, devised or bequeathed to the town for charitable or community purposes.

YES – 107 NO – 70

Article 15: It was voted in **favor** of authorizing Selectmen to acquire, sell, transfer or exchange land, buildings or both as necessary to re-align portions of Wilson Pond Road and further authorize Selectmen to modify the layout of the existing road as they deem prudent, or take any action thereon.

Article 16: It was voted in **favor** to accept as a Class V town-maintained highway, on the condition that abutters waive monetary damages, an additional section of Rabbit Hollow Road, now Class VI, running southerly and southeasterly a distance of approximately 649.5 feet to a point situated at the southwesterly corner of property shown as Tax Map 29, Lot 8, or take any action thereon.

Article 17: It was voted in **favor** of modifying the elderly exemptions from property tax based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers in the Town of Swanzey, provided by RSA 72:39, to be as follows:

For person 65 years of age up to 75 years:	\$ 20,000
For person 75 years of age up to 80 years:	\$ 25,000

For person 80 years of age or older: \$ 30,000

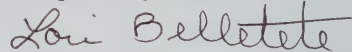
In addition to other requirements of RSA 72:39, to qualify, taxpayers must have a net income of not more than \$ 18,400 if single, or if married a combined net income of not more than \$ 26,400, and own assets not in excess of \$ 35,000, excluding the value of a person's residence, or take any action thereon.

Article 18: It was voted in **favor** of the Town waiving or reducing, for a period of 5 years running concurrently with licenses to be issued by NH Department of Environmental Services, the 500' buffer distance between septage lagoons and land utilized for the disposal of treated septage solids located off of Whitcomb Road which are within 500' of town land acquired from Florence Belding (Tax Map 32 Lot 2-3) and Swanzey Conservation Commission land (Tax Map 33 Lot 19) to allow their continued operation, or take any action thereon.

Article 19: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting, or take any action thereon.

As there was no other business to come before this meeting, the meeting adjourned at 9:04 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lori Belletete".

Lori Belletete, Deputy Town Clerk

BIRTHS 2004

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Father</u>	<u>Mother</u>
01-18-04	Keene, NH	Brown, Camerson Anthony	Brown, David	Brown, Anna
02-15-04	Keene, NH	Barrett, Kyle Joseph	Barrett, Ivan	Barrett, Tamara
02-19-04	Keene, NH	Hoover, Samantha Lynn	Hoover, Mark	Hoover, Melissa
02-25-04	Keene, NH	Haddock, Hayden	Haddock, Steven	Haddock, Yiota
02-25-04	Peterborough, NH	Goodwin, Jillian Reese	Goodwin, Sean	Goodwin, Brandy
03-14-04	Keene, NH	Larson, Noah William	Larson, William	Larson, Larissa
03-29-04	Keene, NH	Stickney, Kayleigh Elizabeth	Stickney, David	Stickney, Hillary
03-29-04	Keene, NH	Stickney, Zackary Michael	Stickney, David	Stickney, Hillary
05-10-04	Peterborough, NH	Pallmerine, Chase Michael	Pallmerine, Michael	Pallmerine, Melissa
05-18-04	Keene, NH	Sandstrum, Annika Kate	Sandstrum, Eric	Sandstrum, Lisa
05-31-04	Keene, NH	Jordan, Catarina Elizabeth	Jordan, Matthew	Jordan, Sarah
06-22-04	Keene, NH	Davis, Shiane Tamara	Davis, Robert	Davis, Michelle
06-27-04	Keene, NH	Anders, Nathan Richard	Anders, Phillip	Anders, Catherine
06-30-04	Keene, NH	Leclair, Grace Elizabeth	Leclair, Daniel	Leclair, Megan
07-01-04	Keene, NH	Colbert, Andrew John	Colbert, Robert	Colbert, Michelle
07-08-04	Keene, NH	Jasinski, Abigail Ruth	Jasinski, Brett	Jasinski, Beth
07-14-04	Keene, NH	Harvey, Alexander Scott	Harvey, Davison	Harvey, Mariann
07-15-04	Keene, NH	Alley, Ryan Paul	Alley, Lawrence	Alley, Mandy
08-01-04	Keene, NH	Eccleston, Alexis Zenaida	Eccleston, Robert	Eccleston, Jennifer
08-09-04	Keene, NH	Ryan, Riley Owen	Ryan, William	Ryan, Mary
08-11-04	Peterborough, NH	Johnson, Freeman Foster	Johnson, Brooks	Johnson, Emily
08-18-04	Keene, NH	Sanchez, Gabriel Patrick	Sanchez, Vincent	Ramsey-S. Jessica
08-18-04	Keene, NH	Randall, Emma Kathryn	Randall, Richard	Randall, Amy
08-22-04	Keene, NH	Mucci, Adam Joseph	Mucci, Joseph	Mucci, Beth
08-27-04	Keene, NH	Marrotte, Sydney Anne	Marrotte, Robert	Marrotte, Giovanna
09-04-04	Keene, NH	Tarver, Evan William	Tarver, Jeffrey	Tarver, Melissa
09-19-04	Keene, NH	Payne, Tanner Slayton	Payne, Zachary	Payne, Erika
09-21-04	Peterborough, NH	Goodell, Marissa Bonnie	Goodell, Duane	Goodell, Donna
09-24-04	Keene, NH	Cooke, Mackenzie Aiden	Cooke, William	Cooke, Jenell
09-25-04	Peterborough, NH	Mark, Riley Andrew	Mark, Terence	Mark, Jennifer
09-25-04	Peterborough, NH	Devarney, Bellamy Karen	Devarney, Jody	Devarney, Krista
10-01-04	Keene, NH	White, Gage Lawrence	White, Michael	White, Jaime
10-03-04	Keene, NH	Blanchard, Lillian Rose	Blanchard, Mark	Blanchard, Jennifer
10-04-04	Keene, NH	Dubriske, Addison Marie	Dubriske, Adam	Dubriske, Colleen
10-20-04	Keene, NH	Chavez, Gabriella Brianne	Chavez, Daniel	Chavez, Brianne
11-11-04	Keene, NH	Butler, Ariana Susan	Butler, Michael	Butler, Ashley
12-06-04	Peterborough, NH	Sevene, Carson Kenneth	Sevene, Jason	Sevene, Carri
12-10-04	Keene, NH	Brown, Ethan Wheeler	Brown, Sumner	Brown, Carla
12-11-04	Keene, NH	Castle, Adrian Emerson	Castle, Scott	Castle, Nicole
12-12-04	Keene, NH	Newell, Kathleen Margaret	Newell, Michael	Newell, Susan
12-22-04	Peterborough, NH	Laclair, Nathan Aaron	Laclair, Mark	Laclair, Christine
12-25-04	Keene, NH	Koegler, Amber Marie	Koegler, Eric	Koegler, Tracy

MARRIAGES - 2004

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place of Marriage</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>
01-13-04	Swanzey, NH	Jeffery P. Vulte	Swanzey, NH
		Joann Brooks	Winchester, NH
01-20-04	Swanzey, NH	Wayne R. Dunham	Swanzey, NH
		Nicole B. Tolman	Swanzey, NH
04-03-04	Keene, NH	John A. Miller	Swanzey, NH
		Jaymie S. Morris	Swanzey, NH
04-03-04	Richmond, NH	Ryan B. Avery	Swanzey, NH
		Rebecca L. Curry	Swanzey, NH
04-04-04	Walpole, NH	James F. Daniels	Swanzey, NH
		Alyson J. Longe	Swanzey, NH
04-08-04	Swanzey, NH	Simon K. Shih	Swanzey, NH
		Kazumi Funamoto	Swanzey, NH
04-11-04	Westmoreland, NH	Alan C. Collette	Swanzey, NH
		Selma L. Dyer	Swanzey, NH
04-17-04	Rindge, NH	William W. Houle	Swanzey, NH
		Samantha L. Messer	Swanzey, NH
05-15-04	Swanzey, NH	Gerald L. DesJardins	Keene, NH
		Jeanne Brooks	Swanzey, NH
05-22-04	Keene, NH	William W. Hatch	Swanzey, NH
		Belinda L. Reney	Keene, NH
05-22-04	Swanzey, NH	Nore R. Veilleux	Swanzey, NH
		Tammy J. Clapp	Swanzey, NH
05-31-04	Keene, NH	Rodney E. Stubbs	Swanzey, NH
		Jill M. Ellis	Swanzey, NH
06-05-04	Concord, NH	Michael J. Whitcomb	Concord, NH
		Judith A. Gray	Swanzey, NH
06-12-04	Swanzey, NH	Philip N. Audet	Swanzey, NH
		Anne L. Hale	Troy, NH
06-17-04	Hanover, NH	Abhishek Sharma	Swanzey, NH
		Subhadra Srinivasan	Hanover, NH
06-19-04	Keene, NH	David P. Fitzhenry	Swanzey, NH
		Bonnie L. Miner	Swanzey, NH
06-30-04	Swanzey, NH	Kenneth A. Bourassa	Swanzey, NH
		Kathleen A. Erickson	Swanzey, NH
07-03-04	Swanzey, NH	Scott A. Croteau	Swanzey, NH
		Robin K. Deverill	Swanzey, NH
07-03-04	Keene, NH	Kevin M. Ellis	Swanzey, NH
		Lindsey J. Jernberg	Swanzey, NH
07-10-04	Rindge, NH	Robert J. Winkler	Swanzey, NH
		Allison M. Talbot	Swanzey, NH
07-10-04	Swanzey, NH	Leonard C. Seagrove	Swanzey, NH
		Jennifer L. Clough	Swanzey, NH
07-11-04	Swanzey, NH	Michael A. Bennett	Swanzey, NH
		Rachel A. Lathrop	Swanzey, NH
07-24-04	Swanzey, NH	Ernest E. Kirouac	Swanzey, NH
		Carolyn M. Dunham	Swanzey, NH
08-07-04	Swanzey, NH	Elton W. Blood	Swanzey, NH
		Julia S. Jochums	Swanzey, NH
08-07-04	Rindge, NH	Jeff A. Lynch	Swanzey, NH
		Linda M. Abrams	Swanzey, NH
08-14-04	Walpole, NH	David R. Packard	Swanzey, NH
		Heidi W. Mattson	Swanzey, NH

MARRIAGES - 2004

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place of Marriage</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>
08-18-04	Swanzey, NH	Gary R. Rouleau	Swanzey, NH
08-22-04	Hampton, NH	Brenda L. Blood	Swanzey, NH
		Harold J. Mooney	Swanzey, NH
		Monya M. Blood	Swanzey, NH
08-28-04	Surry, NH	Kevin A. Sharkey	Swanzey, NH
		Jessica K. LaPointe	Swanzey, NH
09-04-04	Rindge, NH	Leigh M. Hickman	Swanzey, NH
		Rachel A. Hongisto	Swanzey, NH
09-06-04	Keene, NH	Benjamin C. Steiner	Winchester, NH
		Lesley A. Guyette	Swanzey, NH
09-11-04	Rindge, NH	Jacob M. Harris	Swanzey, NH
		Janelle M. Lang	Swanzey, NH
10-02-04	Keene, NH	Clifton J. Chambers	Swanzey, NH
		Cheryl L. Hayes	Swanzey, NH
10-02-04	Rindge, NH	Matthew F. Amlaw	Swanzey, NH
		Shannon K. Clark	Swanzey, NH
10-08-04	Swanzey, NH	Kevin S. Peck	Swanzey, NH
		Jennifer J. Billiel	Swanzey, NH
10-09-04	Keene, NH	Gary L. Barnard	Swanzey, NH
		Carrie R. Goldsmith	Swanzey, NH
10-09-04	Troy, NH	Robert C. Newell	Swanzey, NH
		Cindy L. Calkins	Swanzey, NH
0-16-04	Chesterfield, NH	David R. Norris	Swanzey, NH
		Margaret A. Holcomb	Swanzey, NH
10-30-04	Swanzey, NH	Lawrence C. Joslyn	Swanzey, NH
		Barbara A. Murdock	Swanzey, NH
11-27-04	Rye Beach, NH	Larry P. Jewett	Swanzey, NH
		Laurie J. Jewett	Swanzey, NH
12-11-04	Troy, NH	Randy M. Bartlett	Winchendon, MA
		Cindy Lou Ford	Winchendon, MA

DEATHS 2004

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Name</u>
01-06-04	Swanzey, NH	Morton A. Goodell, Jr		
01-17-04	Lebanon, NH	Emma Plummer	Eugene LaPlante	Alice Lindsey
02-03-04	Keene, NH	Nancy Guyette	William Wiljanen	Ebba Laitinen
03-05-04	Winchester, NH	Charles Walter Miller		
03-13-04	Swanzey, NH	Warren Brown	George Brown	Lula Prentice
04-03-04	Keene, NH	Elmond Grover	Robert Grover	Lillian Kent
04-06-04	Keene, NH	Harrison Maynard		
04-22-04	Keene, NH	Dorinda R. Joslyn		
04-30-04	Swanzey, NH	Alfred J. Longe		
06-19-04	Lebanon, NH	Ted Rybczynski	Bruno Rybczynski	Mary Karwacki
06-25-04	Keene, NH	Randall Thomas Reil		
06-28-04	Worcester, MA	Douglas F. Navish		
07-14-04	Swanzey, NH	Roy Edward Durham	Roland Warren Durham	Isabelle May Wilber
07-16-04	Keene, NH	Donald Wilder	John Wilder	Mabel Branch
07-31-04	Swanzey, NH	Hazell McCue	Edward Stone	Sarah Ladd
08-13-04	Keene, NH	Robert Joseph Black, Sr.		
09-06-04	Keene, NH	Elton W. Blood, Sr.	Gerald Blood	Ethel Gowey
09-09-04	Swanzey, NH	Robert Domina	Frank Domina	Christie Hewes
09-21-04	Westmoreland, NH	Margaret M. Bussiere		
10-04-04	Keene, NH	Paul Piispanen	Ensio Piispanen	Ellen Rantanen
10-06-04	Swanzey, NH	Clarence Ralph Fulford		
10-28-04	Keene, NH	Constance June Merrill		
10-30-04	Swanzey, NH	Robert Sebert	William Sebert	Mary Bailey
10-30-04	Manchester, NH	Beverly A. Davis		
11-11-04	Keene, NH	John Bohan	John Bohan	Elizabeth McKiernan
11-14-04	Swanzey, NH	Joseph Scappace	Joseph Scappace	Anna McNichol
11-17-04	Westmoreland, NH	Robert Green	Harry Green	Helen Doen
11-18-04	Keene, NH	Gardner Knight	Fred Knight	Mildred Unknown
11-20-04	Swanzey, NH	Robert Waters	Robert Waters	Lillie Russell
12-02-04	Keene, NH	Christine Crowell	Henry Robie	Ida Dague
12-06-04	Keene, NH	Cecilia Lorette	Unknown Ramsey	Amanda Unknown
12-11-04	Swanzey, NH	Shirley Bradley	Hollis Jaquith	Minniebell Newell

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<u>DATE OF DEATH</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>
09-04-82	Gainesville, FL	Richard Albert Davis	56
09-03-92	Jacksonville, FL	Ella Louise Davis	
05-16-97	Barnstable, MA	Maxwell Allen Chase	82
04-02-99	Jacksonville, FL	Terry Davis	
03-10-03	Portsmouth, NH	Ruby L. Beecher	97
11-09-03	Westmoreland, NH	George W. Jordan	79
12-11-03	Plattsburgh, NY	Arthur James Jardine	67
01-16-04	Keene, NH	Lois P. Barden	91
02-12-04	Richmond, NH	Roger Alfred Picotte	66
02-16-04	Kingston, NY	Edmund E. Blaes	91
03-03-04	Seabrook, NH	Erla Marguerite Chase	90
03-05-04	Keene, NH	Bernard J. Hause	91
03-12-04	Milford, NH	Jenness C. Phillips	
04-19-04	Peterborough, NH	Agnes M. Hooker	76
04-26-04	North Carolina	Jean Charlotte Safford	67
05-03-04	Keene, NH	Marjorie May Johnson	87
06-03-04	Keene, NH	Violet June Wesley	76
06-08-04	St. Cloud, FL	Cecil Rockwell	87
06-10-04	Keene, NH	Bonnie Jean Rowe	36
06-10-04	Keene, NH	Mary Rose Trombley	60
07-23-04	Keene, NH	Lexis Leigh Woodward	
07-29-04	Fitchburg, MA	Hazel L. Nash	92
08-11-04	Keene, NH	Thomas Coultas Newman	88
08-19-04	Keene, NH	Lorna Mary Dingley	75
09-05-04	Westmoreland, NH	Signe E. Morse	
09-10-04	Keene, NH	Charles William Armstrong, Jr.	71
10-01-04	Alstead, NH	Violet Albina Sherwood	99
10-02-04	Jacksonville, FL	Andy James Davis	
10-18-04	Peterborough, NH	Leo Gerard Breen	76
10-18-04	Keene, NH	John Raymond Shore, Sr.	72
11-03-04	Surry, NH	O'Neil J. Fish, Jr.	64
11-18-04	Keene, NH	Norma LaFontaine	80

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THE SWANZEY QUILT

(cover photo)

The Swanzey quilt was created in 1986 for the purpose of raising funds for the Mt. Caesar Union Library to help defray the cost of painting the Library. A raffle was held on July 19th during the celebration of 100th anniversary of the Old Homestead. Uncle Josh (Ed Dunham) drew the winning ticket. Hilda Snelling of Melville, Illinois was the winner who, in turn, donated the quilt to the Historical Society.

Each quilt square depicts different landmarks and areas of interest of our town. The quilt was dedicated to friend and fellow quilter, Ruth Granfield. The following is a list of ladies and their squares (all rows are left to right):

Top row:

Swanzey Lake by Irana Koester
Golden Rod Grange by Ruth Adams
Mt. Caesar Union Library by Jan Parsons
Page Homestead Barn by Lorna Gemmel
The Wooden Bucket Industry by Ruth Granfield

Row two:

Carpenter Home by Sally Steere
Red Brick Congregational Church by June Fuerderer
Library Sign Garden by Hazel Fuller
Mt. Caesar by Connie Owens
Pony Club by Martha Henry

Row three:

Slate Bridge by Marguerite Brooks
Mt. Caesar Cemetery by Connie Owens
Map of Swanzey by Alice Waite
Old Homestead Oxen by Miriam Lane
Cresson Bridge by Debbie Barrett

Row four:

Library Bell Ring by Ruth Palm
Belding-Taft Home by Nancy Foote
Welcome to Swanzey Sign by Harriette Wyman
Town Hall by Jean Belding
Walter Day House by Ann Burke

Row five:

Town Signpost by Pat Clark
Stratton Library by Aline Parker
Mt. Monadnock by Laura Cram
Carlton Bridge by Pat Miller
Wilcox School by Alice Barrows

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